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FOUR PARKS RETAIN GREEN FLAG STATUS

By Paul Giles

SOUTHEND parks have won four prestigious Green Flags for the second year running.

This means that Chalkwell, Belfairs Park and Nature Reserve, Southchurch and Priory Park have all again matched their winning performances from last year.

To be awarded a sought-after Green Flag, each park must pass strict tests.

These include being judged on how the park is managed and maintained, the level of community involvement, conservation and heritage, and environmental sustainability.

Southend Councillor for culture and tourism, Derek Jarvis, said parks are a real credit to Southend, and enhance the outdoor attractions of the borough for residents and visitors.

He said: "For these four parks to maintain their nationally-acclaimed very high standards is a tremendous achievement.

"Congratulations to all who have contributed to their success.

"This is all the more commendable considering the current financial challenges, and the extreme weather conditions we are experiencing this year."

These four Southend parks are among 1,424 parks and green spaces across the country to receive Green Flag Awards.

The Green Flag Award scheme continues to grow internationally and is now expanding into the Netherlands and Germany.

Communities minister, Andrew Stunell, said great parks and green spaces have a huge impact on local communities, providing places to play and relax.

He said: "They are fundamental to our quality of life, whether in cities, towns or villages, and the Green Flag Award scheme seeks to help raise the standards of them all."

Stunt riders dropped from Olympic opening ceremony



A STUNT cyclist has been left bitterly disappointed after his team was dropped from the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games.

Joe Maher, from Westcliff, and fellow riders were told just days ago they were dropped from this Friday's Isle of Wonder spectacle.

Mr Maher felt 'gutted' he would not get the once-in-a-lifetime chance to be involved in the Olympics.

The ex-St Thomas Moore student said: "When they phoned and told me it didn't sink in until I got off of the phone.

"I sat there and just felt gutted I wouldn't be performing on a global scale."

Speaking about the opening ceremony a LOCOG spokesperson said they were disappointed that they had to trim the show, but explained: "To put this in some type of context we unfortunately had to cancel 145 professional performers from a cast of 7,500."

WHEELY DISAPPOINTED: Joe Maher who has been dropped by LOCOG from the opening ceremony due to over running.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

House burglary

POLICE are appealing for information following a night time burglary in Leigh while the occupants were asleep.

Various electrical items, including a TV, camera and an iPad were stolen in the early hours of last Wednesday in Harley Street.

Entry was gained via a secure window. Information to PC Christian Forbes on 101, or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Road closure

EASTWOOD Road in Leigh will be temporarily closed from today (Wednesday) to Friday, for repairs.

Vehicles will be prevented from entering Eastwood Road at its junctions with the A13 London Road and Blenheim Chase between 9.30am and 3.30pm.

Southend Council can extend the closures for a further two days in the case of unexpected delays or to allow remedial works.

Family survey

SOUTHEND residents are being invited to take part in a survey, which aims to find out how services for families can be improved.

Their answers will help organisations work out appropriate ways to plan their budgets and services in future.

To take part in the survey residents can fill in specially printed Family-on-Sea postcards in libraries, children's centres and other locations.

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Alternatively text YACAMBER (space) followed by A, B or C, and

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Lines close on Thursday, August 2, 2012. Entries received after the closing date will not be counted but may still be charged.

*T&C's

Places subject to availability and not all parks available on all dates. Prize is for three or four nights in a one bedroom Classic apartment, for up to four persons (adult or child) to be taken by October 30, 2012. Exclusions apply. Open to UK residents aged 18 or over. Only one entry per perso.

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All other terms and conditions are as per 2012 Pontins brochure.

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First customers for pier cafe



NOTHING beats an early morning cuppa for the Lower Thames Rowing Club. They were the first customers through the door at the new pier cafe inside the cultural centre on Saturday morning.

They set off from Two Tree Island on the ebb tide and rowed to the pier head to ensure they were well ahead of the weekend rush.

"We've always enjoyed a cuppa at the end of the pier, so it was nice to be the very first customers through the door," said club member Tony Peck.

The group was formed in 2002 and its boats, known as skiffs and gigs, are regularly seen out in the estuary and in the Thames creeks.

Club members go out in crews of mixed ability throughout the week, all year. Trips can include navigating around Canvey Island, the creeks to Wat Tyler and, for the more experienced, camping expeditions to Kent. Annual membership is £50.

The club is associated with the Thames Estuary Yacht Club and meet at the Westcliff clubhouse, The Lees.

For more information or to become a member visit www.lowerthamesrowingclub.com

CUPPA: The Lower Thames Rowing Club enjoy a break on the end of the pier.

➤ **speedread**

New logo

SOUTHEND Mencap, the charity supporting the needs and interests of people with learning disabilities, has had a change of logo.

In line with the Royal Mencap's 20/20 partnership initiative, which requires all local Mencap groups to switch to a common logo by the end of March 2013, Southend Mencap now sports the nationally recognised Mencap logo while still ensuring their Southend and District support area is recognised with the new design.

The new logo is now prevalent across the society's charity shops in Southend, Leigh and Shoebury as well as on new leaflets and flyers detailing the activities and services offered by Southend Mencap.

More train seats for Olympics

NATIONAL Express train operator c2c is providing more seats for passengers in Essex and east London as part of its improved service levels for the Games.

More than 270,000 extra seats will be provided this week as the company builds up its services for the Games.

Full details of the day-by-day service during the Games are available online at www.c2c-online.co.uk

Ward spruced up

BRIGHT and cheerful new facilities now greet patients being treated in Southend Hospital's cancer ward.

Thanks to a £140,000 donation from the hospital's charitable funds, the ground-floor Elizabeth Loury ward has undergone a major facelift to provide cleaner and more airy rooms for patients to stay and be treated.

The extra space has been created by designating an additional ward (Bedwell) just along the corridor as a specialist cancer ward. As a result, the hospital now provides a total of 42 dedicated cancer care beds instead of the previous 30.

Brand new cultural centre officially launched

THE NEW £3million cultural centre was launched last week at Southend Pier to the sound of laughter with the Wave Comedy Festival.

The centre is the first structure to be built at the end of the Grade II listed structure since fire devastated it in 2005.

It is built from 200 tonnes of steel, wood and glass, which was built in Tilbury Docks before it was sailed up the Estuary and winched into place at the end of May.

Council bosses hope to use the centre to host public theatre, cultural shows and art exhibitions.

Southend Councillor, for culture and tourism, Derek Jarvis, said the comedy festival had offered a varied programme for the centre.

He said: "The completion of our new building will make an excellent showcase for the vibrant arts and culture scene in Southend."

STRUCTURE: The cultural centre on Southend Pier.
Picture by Mark Cleveland



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Man found guilty of murder in burglary

By Paul Giles

A SOUTHEND man has been found guilty of killing a man during a burglary in Southend.

Unemployed John Nafzger, 40, from Westbury Road, was found guilty of one count of manslaughter and one count of robbery last Friday, at Southwark Crown Court.

Police launched a murder enquiry after Christopher Ryan was found with serious head injuries inside his flat in Coleman Street, on Thursday, November 17, 2011. The 45-year-old man died from his injuries a few days later in hospital.

Nafzger and 24-year-old, unemployed, Christopher Walker, from Mansted Gardens, in Rochford, were arrested later that day.

Walker was found guilty of one count of robbery.

Senior investigating officer, DI Martin Pasmore, from the Kent & Essex Serious Crime Directorate, said the pair had planned to steal cannabis and, in order

to do so, they would have to overpower Mr Ryan.

He said: "Last November, they saw him enter his block of flats and, while Christopher used the lift, they used the stairs to get ahead of him.

"They waited out of sight for him to open the front door of his flat before overpowering him.

"John Nafzger assaulted Christopher at the entrance door of the flat as well as in the living room before stealing his cannabis and mobile phone.

"The two men then fled the scene, leaving Christopher with severe head injuries from which he later died.

"It is no secret that Christopher had problems with drug addiction and this is something he was ashamed of.

"This led to him being estranged from his family as he did not want to bring his problems to their door.

"Christopher's family always hoped that one day he would deal with his addiction and feel able to be part



CONVICTED: John Nafzger (left) was found guilty of murder during a burglary while Christopher Walker was found guilty of robbery.



of the family again. "Sadly that chance has been taken away from them and I only hope that the

findings of the jury began the process of closure for them."

Both men have been fur-

ther remanded in court custody prior to their sentencing back at the same court on Monday, September 10.

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Music nostalgia

THE ELO Experience will be heading to the Palace Theatre, in London Road, Southend, this Thursday, at 8pm.

The show will take the audience back to the days when these songs were first heard, creating an uplifting atmosphere with two hours of nostalgia performed by the seven piece band.

To book tickets call 01702 351135.

Olympic competition for budding artists

A YOUNG artists' Olympic Competition will be held in Southend Central Library on Friday.

Children have been asked to create a picture of what the games mean to them.

The prizewinning pieces for both categories 'Years 1-3' and 'Years 4-6' will be exhibited alongside many other efforts, including the piece nominated 'President's Choice'

A prize of £100 will also be awarded to the school whose overall entries most impressed the judges.

Jazz on the pier

SOUTHEND Pier will be alive with sound of jazz this weekend.

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SUMMER SHOW:
Debbie Hadley from
Studio Eleven.
Picture by Mark Cleveland

Art to shine in summer show

By Paul Giles

A SUMMER art show will run to the end of the month at Studio Eleven.

The gallery, in Station Road, opposite the Cliffs Pavilion, is showing a selection of work by artists.

Debbie Hadley, one of the founders of the gallery, hopes many visitors would attend.

She said: "People can expect

to see a variety of work including paintings, landscapes, ceramic work and jewellery.

"We've also made cards so people can buy those if they want something on a smaller scale."

Debbie's work includes glass bowls she has made from recycled bottles, prints of photos she took in India and jewellery.

The idea behind Studio Eleven is to give artists a forum

to show their work to the public. Andrew Hall, another founder of the gallery, teaches lessons there.

He will also be holding a solo show at the beginning of next month.

Artists in the Summer Show include two people who have won the Essex Open Art Exhibition in the past, and two art teachers from Southend High School for Boys.

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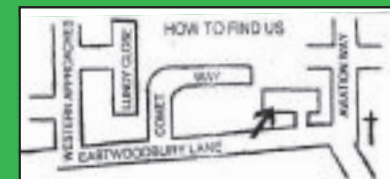
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Help to get back into work

By Paul Giles

JOB SEEKERS looking for work can get help in Southend Library in the form of the SeeChange Job Group.

The group is offering a free 12-week SeeChange plan running every Wednesday.

Southend Council's deputy leader, councillor John Lamb, believes the course is ideal for people looking for work in tough economic times.

He said: "This is a marvellous free opportunity for people to gain positive and practical help."

The sessions are overseen by Andy Bater and Jane Dring of Southend's SeeJobGroup (www.seejobgroup.com) who have plans to suit all ages with or without work experience.

Jane explained the course focuses on a range of different tools to help people back to work including creating a CV, job searches and how to apply for jobs.

She said: "We bring a fresh and inspiring

approach that will not only increase job searching skills, but also promotes results.

"We see the potential in each person that comes through our SeeChange plan, so success is based on us working together with the person, focusing on them and their needs as an individual.

"We do not take a one-glove fits all approach.

"Increased knowledge of successful job searching techniques and strategies will naturally increase peoples' confidence and self esteem, helping them stand out from the crowd.

"As well as covering CVs, job searching, cover letters and interviews, the individual coaching sessions we offer are the key to success. During these sessions we can tap into each person's passions and skills to achieve a clear direction and results when they are searching for jobs."

The format of the Job Group alternates with a group workshop one week and individual 20-minute coaching sessions to focus on individual goals the next.



SUPPORT: A session at SeeChange Job Group.

Places are limited places so pre-booking is essential, but it is free to join, and each weekly session runs from 9.30am until 12.30am.

For bookings and information, call Andy and Jane on 079574 98340 or e-mail info@seejobgroup.com

➤ speedread

Prescribing system

AN ELECTRONIC prescribing system for cancer patients needing chemotherapy has just gone live at Southend Hospital – the first hospital in the Essex Cancer Network to use the technology.

As there are about 550 different combinations – or regimens – of oncology drugs, the hospital is taking a phased approach, starting with treatments for breast cancer. All patients attending for chemotherapy now have their own individual electronic treatment record which can be accessed by all authorised staff involved in their care.

Bingo hall raises charity cash

MECCA Bingo in Southend, has helped to raise £500,000 for its chosen charity, Marie Curie Cancer Care.

The club is one of 97 across the UK which took part in fundraising activities for the charity, which provides free nursing care to terminally ill people in local communities across the UK.

Events which have taken place include sponsored body waxes, head shave and Royal-themed Blooming Great Tea Parties.

Clubs have also organised football tournaments, tombolas and themed party nights to raise funds for the charity.

Pier to host puppet festival

SOUTHEND Pier will host its 24th Annual Puppet Festival from Friday, August 3, to Sunday, August 5, between 11am and 5pm each day.

Visitors can take a picnic, or eat in the new Cultural Centre Cafe and let Punch and Judy, marionettes and glove puppets put on a show for both kids and adults who want to re-live their childhood.

Lenient jail term for teen 'coerced' into drug dealing

A JUVENILE has been given a lenient jail sentence after a judge heard he had been forced to deal drugs in Southend by a dangerous Somali gang.

The case was exclusively revealed by the Yellow Advertiser last month.

The teenager, who cannot be named, sold drugs to cops on six occasions in November 2011, who were posing as addicts as part of Operation RASP.

The boy initially pleaded not guilty to the charges, citing the defence of duress.

Basildon Crown Court heard a group of Somali men had befriended him and bought him

clothes and dinners, then told him the gifts had not been free and that he would have to work off his debt.

He told jurors in his trial last month that the gang turned when he went to their flat and saw a gun.

He said the men had threatened to harm his mother and his siblings. He claimed he was sent on his first drug deal that night and carried out one or two deals every day until they let him go.

The teen told the court he was forced to sleep on the floor, fed every day with takeaway chicken and did not even have a change of clothes.

He told Judge David Owen-Jones: "I was stinking, sir."

The teenager said that after roughly two months, a member of the gang was arrested and they learned that a police operation was going on in the area.

He said the gang became scared that he would speak to the police if he was arrested and turned him loose.

He bought an airline ticket and fled the country for three months but was arrested upon his return to the UK in March.

In his police interview, he said: "It was like they ain't got no heart. I think a person with heart couldn't do that.

"Still, every time I go to sleep, I think about them too much. It was

the worst days of my life."

The boy pleaded not guilty to the charges, but on the third day of his trial he changed his pleas after learning he would serve minimal jail time.

He was sentenced at Basildon Crown Court last Thursday.

Judge David Owen-Jones said he accepted that the boy had been coerced and sentenced him to 10 months in a young offenders institute.

The boy will serve half of the sentence, minus 128 days already spent on remand.

As such, he will be released in about one month, allowing him to re-enter education in September.

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Artist recalls childhood in Germany through display

By Paul Giles

AN ARTIST is using his inspiration from when he lived in Germany as a child as part of his exhibition in Southend Central Library.

John Bulley opened his exhibition of paintings and other paraphernalia last week.

As a child John, from Southend, found himself living in Germany for six-and-a-half years as his father was in the army.

The 62-year-old explained: "It was a wonderful place to live even though I wasn't aware of what had happened to the Jewish people there."

Part of the exhibition includes a winter wonderland scene with original wartime figures that children would have played with.

There is also a Christmas tree decorated with Nazi baubles and hand grenades with glitter on them to make it look festive.

John added: "At the time I was a child, you lived in the moment, our life revolved around your friends, your street and your school."

"I was brought up on a diet of war films and comics which portrayed the Germans as evil warmongers, jack booting their way through innocent countries in their quest for world domination."

"They didn't seem real and were very cartoon like characters."

Other parts of the exhibition



EXHIBITION: John Bulley with an example of his work on show.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

include comics John read when he was younger, a character he has created called Angry Mouse and a variety of spray pictures.

The mouse shows the artist's frustra-

tion at arts organisations that are not inclusive of the community of Southend.

John said: "There is so much pre-tentious art going on that people just

don't understand so I'm hoping people will relate to the mouse."

The show will end at the end of the month and is open during library opening hours.

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What you have to remember is that pain is the body's way of telling you that something is wrong. A warning signal. It's not necessarily something you have to live with. People tend to live with back pain or neck pain for example, but most of us wouldn't live with toothache for very long before going to the dentist would we?

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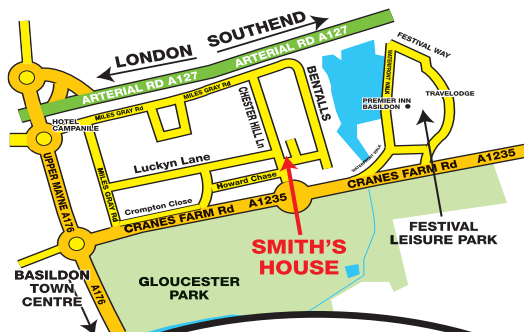
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Exploring Southend on adapted bicycles

By Paul Giles

FAMILIES with disabilities will be able to explore Southend's seafront cycle route using specially adapted bicycles.

The new bikes, which are free to hire, were unveiled at Southend Pier last Saturday.

Families tried out the acclaimed new Draisin PLUS bikes and found out how to book them in future.

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Teams from Southend Council's children and learning directorate, pier and foreshore section and Cycle Southend team have worked with Activesouthend and Southend Toy Library to make the bikes available.

Southend's councillor for public protection, waste and transport, Tony Cox, hopes the ingenious bikes would help families with disabilities share in the thrill and fun of cycling together.



EXPLORE: Richard Toamey with the new disability cycle at Southend Pier.

Picture by Mark Cleveland

He said: "They will enable these families to gain access to more of the seafront and enjoy more of Southend's many attractions during each visit."

"We hope as many people as possible will come to find out about the wheelchair bikes so they can take advantage of them in the future."

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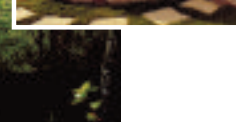
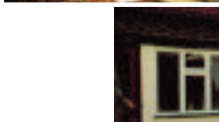
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Landlords fined

By Paul Giles

TWO LANDLORDS of Southend houses have been fined for flouting the law.

Sukhbir Singh Sandhu, 57, of Cranley Road, Westcliff, was convicted at Southend Magistrates Court on Wednesday, July 11, of running an unlicensed multiple occupied (HMO) property in York Road.

Sandhu did not attend court or submit any mitigation so was found guilty in his absence, fined £1,500, plus £270 costs and a £15 victim surcharge.

The York Road property is on three storeys with one ground floor self-contained flat, plus nine bedsits sharing one bathroom with toilet, one shower room and one separate toilet.

Under the Housing Act 2004, such HMO's must be licensed, and Local Authorities must take steps to ensure that licence applications are made.

Southend Council was in regular contact with Sandhu from November 2011 and made him well aware of his legal obligations.

Despite the guidance given, he continued to issue multiple tenancies within the property - bringing it into the mandatory licensing scheme.

In addition to the fine and costs incurred, Sandhu must now apply for an HMO licence nominating an independent third party to be the both licence holder and the person in control of this property.

The Council also has the power to apply to the Residential Property Tribunal for a Rent Repayment Order (RRO).

This could re-claim all Housing Benefit paid for accommodation at the property during the period when the offence was committed.

On the same day at Southend Magistrates Court, Kathleen Mary Beechey, 66, of Andrew Street Properties Ltd, Sebastian Avenue, Shenfield, admitted failing to comply with conditions on an HMO licence for a four storey property in London Road, Westcliff.

This has commercial premises on the ground floor, with a three-storey HMO above comprising six bedsits, two with en-suite shower on each

floor, each sharing a toilet with a wash hand basin.

Beechey was given one month from the date of her HMO licence to supply a fire alarm test certificate and emergency lighting test certificate, a Portable Appliance Test certificate, and the Electrical Inspection Report, covering the safety of the electrical power and lighting installation.

All these documents are required to prove that the property is safe for occupiers and their visitors, and the

Council should have received the paperwork by January 20 this year.

In February, council staff contacted the fire alarm company directly to check that the fire alarm and emergency lighting were working satisfactorily, but no other documents were received.

Following the case Beechey can no longer hold the licence for the property, but must apply for an HMO licence nominating an independent third party to hold the licence and control this property.

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Two men arrested in Border Agency raid

A RAID by the UK Border Agency at a restaurant in Southchurch resulted in two arrests.

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Checks revealed that one member of staff, a 22-year-old man from Bangladesh, had overstayed his visa.

He has been taken into UK Border Agency detention pending his removal from the country.

Officers found another offender living in accommodation above the restaurant. Checks revealed the 37-year-old Pakistani man, who was not employed by the restaurant, had overstayed his visa.

The man had about £6,000 stored in a safe in his room. Officers detained the money under the Proceeds of Crime Act and the cash will now be the subject of a forfeiture hearing.

UK Border Agency officer Emma Engutsamy said the agency would seek to remove people from the UK if they thought they were here illegally.

She said: "Where we find cash which we believe may have been illegally earned we will investigate and work to ensure it is returned to the public purse."

"We want those who abuse the immigration system to leave the UK and we aim to ensure they leave with no illegally-earned money."

"We are looking to target the employers who take on illegal workers and who encourage illegal immigration in the process."

The restaurant faces a potential fine of up to £10,000 unless it can prove that the appropriate pre-employment checks were carried out on the illegal worker, such as seeing a passport or Home Office document.

Egg Watch success

VOLUNTEERS at Two Tree Island nature reserve have been helping boost avocet numbers by protecting the nesting sites.

The avocet is a striking coastal bird, a black and white wader with a long, up-curved black beak.

Two Tree Island is one of the 20 sites in which avocets breed in Essex.

Avocets are targeted by egg thieves - but since 2006 Essex Wildlife Trust has successfully helped to protect the breeding avocet population on the island with the help of hundreds of volunteers who have taken part in a coordinated Egg Watch.

Breeding common terns, oystercatchers, redshanks and black-

headed gulls are also watched over by the volunteers.

This year more than 80 volunteers helped with the rota of watches, which ran from Monday, April 16, to Friday, June 15.

Last year many eggs were stolen by an egg thief but this spring, thanks to the volunteers, hatchings were noticeably up on last year's figures.

Louise Morris, Southend's environmental projects manager, working in partnership with Essex Wildlife Trust and Southend Council, said Avocet Watch successfully ensured that a high number of Avocets eggs hatched this year.

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**Anne Pressling (Secretary)
Southend and District
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for the Blind Association**

Decisions must be respected

IT IS not every day that I have a part in a multi-million pound spending decision, although my role in the debate about the Cliffs Museum was quite small really; I am not a member of Southend-on-Sea Borough Council's Development Control Committee (DCC) and so had no vote.

I am disappointed in the outcome, but have no complaint

about the process. I spoke my piece, was politely listened to, and I do not doubt that my views were weighed up with the other opinions that were expressed.

I have faith in democracy and must respect decisions, whichever way they go. Some others, like me opposed to the planned museum, cried foul when the vote went against us - I suspect they would have remained silent had our view won out.

So, what now? The council has to find a lot of money somehow. The exact amount varies, but the minimum is £35 million, and £50 million could easily be exceeded.

These sums will not be easy to come by. Those who cherished the area and are opposed to the plans will continue to oppose, and hope that the money is not forthcoming.

My opposition centred around the loss of a green space, and no amount of landscaping will hide the fact that much will be concreted over. There are other objections, not least over the viability of the plans and the suitability of the chosen site.

Many in Milton ward have woken up to the fact the voting in local elections is important, for the 17 members of the DCC, who decided the fate of this planning application, were all in place to do so because of the votes, and apathy, of the residents of Southend.

Development decisions should not be pre-judged, but opinions

about green areas, over-crowding, in-character development can be expressed without prejudicing any decision. Voters can ask their candidates for their views, and the candidates should be judged, and voted for or against, accordingly.

**Julian Ware-Lane
Councillor for Milton ward
Leigh-on-Sea**

Where is the democracy?

WHERE is the democracy in Southend when 17 councillors have the power to build on our cliffs? The word Museum is just an excuse to erect such a huge building.

The Saxon King's artefacts are a tiny part of this complex to be built. As these artefacts will take up so little space, why does the museum have to be 20,000sq ft?

Using the word museum is just an excuse to obtain planning permission to build on the cliffs. The cliffs can be shored up by planting more trees and using nature to do the job at a very small cost.

The cliffs have stood the test of time for decades before the opportunist devious controlling Conservative councillors got their sights on the cliffs area when the land slip occurred in 2002.

That is why they did nothing

to shore up the cliffs immediately by a natural method. Someone obviously saw a window of opportunity to build on this area. Are we ever going to get rid of the Conservatives in Southend?

I hope the people who voted them in are happy to see more of our trees, grass and flowers built on. Shame on them. Will this building be named after the 17 councillors who gave it planning permission? This is what our Council wants, buildings in their name, just like the monstrous buildings built by some Dictators in countries with no democracy.

**Rosie Bond
Southend-on-Sea**

Planes are too loud

I READ a recent article about Southend Airport with regards to claiming that the airport excess noise is coming from other planes and not ones that are using Southend Airport. Which planet are the council on? I live directly under the flight path, you can easily tell a plane that has taken off from the airport as to a plane that is flying over the airspace.

I get woken up every morning at 6.30am by planes that are taking off over my property, which I may add are not meant to be.

I think this is a complete insult to residents living under the flightpath and the council should apologise for this statement.

I did ring the council, but surprise, surprise nobody knew anything about this article. I have also e-mailed them but as to date I am still awaiting a response.

I would invite any councillor to stand in my garden and explain to me how the noise is from an aircraft flying from another airport.

Any comments from the council to the above would be appreciated.

**Mrs Spencer
Westcliff**

Distress caused by a contrary opinion

R.S.G. Potter tells us that he stopped writing to local newspapers many years ago as a Murdoch-maddened Euro-sceptic who, believe me as a confirmed supporter of this enlightened venture, had long lost the plot along with the argument. (YA July 18)

Indeed, I suspect that Mr Potter's briefly excited resurrection here might be occasioned by the Prime Minister's recent re-promise of a referendum on certain restricted matters European Union-wise.

For David Cameron has made it quite clear that he certainly will not be promoting

the UK's exit from the EU to become a sort of 'greater Switzerland' to our disadvantage.

Which, doubtless, will have our man heading toutte de suite for that darkened room frequented by Maureen Ward in order to alleviate the mental distress inexplicably caused by a contrary opinion. (Same issue YA)

Ah ... diddums.

**John Haran
Leigh**

We need our pool back

ACCORDING to recently publicised medical research it is reckoned that a third of British people do not exercise enough. This is bad news as it is having a detrimental effect on the health of our nation.

It highlights the need for people to have affordable and easily accessible public sports facilities that can help to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Sadly, this philosophy is something that Southend's Tory-led Council failed to grasp when it ignored public opinion and knocked down its town centre public swimming pool which was easily accessible to so many residents and visitors to our town.

We need to have a public pool again and other sports facilities in our town centre.

**Mike Royston
Westcliff**

Julian should get points for sticking at it

SURELY some points should be awarded to Julian Ware-Lane for his perseverance around this part of Essex to be elected in any form of so called authority?

Because of his determination he found, after many failures, an area who apparently were unaware of what the Labour Party had done to this country while in power over 13 years.

So no doubt we will all have to tolerate more of Julian.

**Chas Cheesman
Southend**

These men should be honoured

I AM in complete agreement with S.Asks' letter on Bomber Command. All the bombing that was carried out was fully justified, as was stated in the letter, they started mass bombings against civilians.

But let us not forget the crews that carried out the raids.

My dad spent the duration of the war as a rear gunner in Wellingtons and the planes were more dangerous than the enemy. They went out with holes not repaired and as the rear gunner was usually the first to get killed (my dad was one of the lucky ones) repairs were only done when it got really bad.

My dad came out of the war with bad hearing problems that eventually made him completely deaf, sitting in noisy, freezing conditions for hours on end not knowing if the next second was your last, or you were going to end up as a burning wreck.

So yes, these men should be honoured.

**Geoff Headland
Rayleigh**

Two wrongs do not make a right

THE spiteful revenge bombings of Dresden are feebly defended by S Asks. Arguably the Second World War had to be fought, however some fools then believe that every action taken by the UK during the war must also be justified.

Not only were we supposed to be superior in a military sense but also morally. The bombing of London was obviously wrong, but so was the unnecessary bombing of Dresden.

Ladies and Gentlemen two wrongs do not make a right.

**Aubrey Stein
Basildon**

Olympics should not undermine British tradition

IT IS more appropriate for the Military to provide security at the Olympics rather than agency workers and it makes more sense than deploying them in Afghanistan.

However Olympic security should not be used as an excuse for the overt and gratuitous display of weaponry, because this will undermine our proud tradition for an unarmed police force.

Therefore Council permission for the Ministry of Defence (MoD) to use Highfield Towers as an observation post should be qualified with a requirement for military personnel not to overtly display weapons, particularly machine guns when entering and leaving the building.

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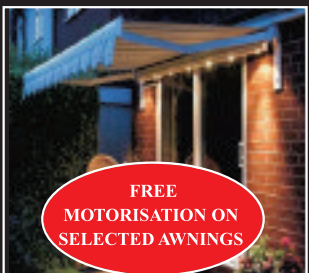
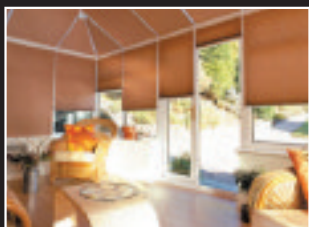
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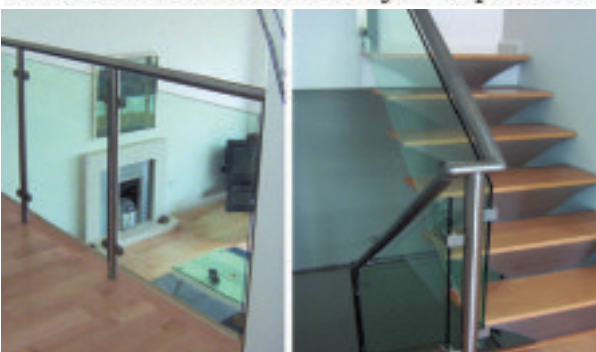
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LIZ WADE looks at summer holiday fun for the family without breaking the bank

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Forget about digging deep in your pockets, pack up a picnic and enjoy some of the events below:-

Nature Quest at the Wick Country Park

The Friends of Wick Country Park are hosting a free event on Sunday, August 12, from 11am to 4pm, suitable for all the family.

Be a nature detective and discover some of the wild wonders of the Wick, while you explore the park and investigate the underwater world of the dipping pond.

No need to book, just turn up at the park, off Tresco Way, Wickford. Further information visit www.friendsofthewickcountrypark.co.uk

Urban Games Events

SX Urban Games are an opportunity for young people to compete in and watch demonstrations in a range of urban activities at skate parks all over Essex.

The games, which have been running since 2010, will be held at 14 locations this year including Concord Skate Park, Gloucester Park, Basildon, (noon to 4pm) and King George's Playing Field, Warley, (11am to 6pm) on Friday, August 17, and Town Mead Leisure Park, Waltham Abbey, from 1-6pm on Friday, August 24.

The events are free to attend and include a variety of activities to

watch and take part in such as Freestyle Basketball, Break Dancing, Parkour, Graffiti, Skateboarding, Cheerleading, Street Dance, BMXing, Street Basketball and football.

There will also be live music and much more. For further information visit www.essexlegacy.org or www.sxurbangames.co.uk

Puppet Festival

Southend Pier will be hosting its 24th Annual Puppet Festival from Friday to Sunday, August 3 to 5, from 11am to 5pm each day.

Stroll to the end of the pier or take the train and let Punch and Judy, marionettes and glove puppets put on a show, as part of The Big Grin - a national celebration of Mr Punch's 350th birthday.

Pier admission for walkers is £2 for adult and £1 for children and concessions, while a train return is £3.60 for adult, £1.80 for children and concession, and £9.30 for a family of two adults and up to three children. Visit www.thebiggrin350.com or www.southend.gov.uk

Minibeast Mayhem

RSPB Rainham Marshes Nature Reserves looking forward to some Minibeast Mayhem during August.

Join them from 1-3.45pm on Saturday, August 4, Tuesday, August 14, or Monday, August 27, and become a Minibeast Detective, exploring the fascinating world of water creatures and those that live in its long grass.

Pre booking and payment is essential for the events, which cost £7 for children, and £1 for adults,

excluding entry fee. For further information visit www.rspb.org.uk

Football in the Park

Head to Castle Park, Colchester, on three Wednesdays in August and enjoy a free football event. Join in a game or just sit and watch between 11am and 2pm, on August 1, 22 and 29. Visit www.colchester.gov.uk or www.visitcolchester.com

Green to Gold

Join in some Victorian Games at Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge, in Chingford, from noon to 3pm on Wednesday, August 15. Go back to yesteryear and the games your great, great, great, grandparents might have played including skipping games, ball games, board games and more for all ages. Visit www.cityoflondon.gov.uk

Inflatable Days

Belchamps Scout Centre, in Hollyoak Lane, Hawkwell, will be hosting Inflatable Days on August 1, 15, 22 and 29, for £5 per child per session, which run from 9am to noon, or 1-4pm. Visit www.belchamps.co.uk

Essex Police Museum

The museum, at Essex Police Headquarters in Chelmsford, is hosting a number of events during the holidays which costs just £1 or £2 per child. They include Make a Victorian Truncheon on August 1; Make Your Own Police Motorbike on August 4; Make Your Own Olympic Medal on August 8; Make

GOLDEN: The bridge over lower pond with Swamp Cypress, Cortaderia selloana and Salix in the foreground at RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Essex.



Your Own Walkie Talkies on August 15; take part in a Wartime Photo Shoot on August 22; Make Your Own Police Car on August 29; and a Ration Book Trail on September 1. Visit www.essex.police.uk/museum

RHS Garden Hyde Hall

Join the Great Garden Adventure at Hyde Hall, in Creepedge Lane, Rettendon, this summer as kids get in for free throughout the summer holidays up until August 31. What's more the beautiful gardens will be hosting children's activities from 10am to 3pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays. These include a chance to find out about bugs and beasts on August 1 and 2; art and crafts on August 8 and 9; a treasure hunt style orienteering adventure on August 15 and 16; art in the garden on August 22 and 23, and making items for the garden with recycled materials on August 29 and 30. Visit www.rhs.org.uk/hydehall

Southchurch Hall

The museum, in Park Lane,

Southend, is hosting a number of events to keep the kids busy this summer. There will be a Tudor festival from 10am to 3.30pm on August 4 and 5, including archery, puppetry, music and demonstrations; a Teddy Bears Picnic on Wednesday, August 15, for just £2.50 per child, including crafts, hunts, stories and prizes, and a picnic in the park; and a Music Day on Wednesday, August 22, from 10am to 3pm, when you can try your hand at an electric guitar or a violin. Visit www.southendmuseums.co.uk

Wild About Wetlands Day

Waltham Abbey Gardens will be hosting a free Wild About Wetlands Day from 10am to 3.30pm on Tuesday, August 7, when you can take part in a host of activities including pond dipping, dragonfly hunts, natural arts and crafts and a treasure trail. historic surroundings of the beautiful Waltham Abbey Gardens. You can also admire bees and bats and join guided walks around the neighbouring Dragonfly Sanctuary on Cornmill Meadows. Visit www.visitleevalley.org.uk

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Saturday, July 28

- Walk, SE Essex Ramblers, meet 8.45am, Hadleigh, John Burrows Recreation ground car park, Rectory Road, opposite Pools Lane, starts from car park by Chipping Ongar library, 9 miles Chipping Ongar to Greensted, pub lunch stop.
- Jumble Sale, Eastwood Memorial Hall, Lambeth Road/Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, 9am, admission 20p, many bargains including garden tools, toys, clothing, furniture, in aid of Muscular Dystrophy.
- Annual Fuchsia Show, Rochford and District Fuchsia and Garden Society, Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell, 1-5pm, admission £1.20, with a plant sale, refreshments, raffle.
- Rayleigh History Walk, Rayleigh Windmill, Bellingham Lane, 3pm, The National Trust, £2 per person, Mike Stone 01268 775328.
- Dad's and Kids Club, The Megacentre, Rayleigh, Saturdays 10.30am-1.30pm, free admission, games, activities, arts and crafts, for boys and girls 5-17 years with their fathers and father figures. 01268 779100.
- Saturday Morning Club, St Michael's Church Hall, Leigh Road, every Saturday 10am-noon, entertainment provided by choirs, soloists, musicians, refreshments, admission free, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled. 01702 437863.
- Meeting, Brush Strokes Art Group, Highlands Methodist Church, Leigh, every Saturday 9.15am-12.15pm, new members welcome. 01277 627043.
- Different Strokes Exercise Class, St Peter's Church Hall, Eastbourne Grove, Southend, for those who have had a stroke, every Saturday 2.30pm. 01702 465801.
- Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-op, St Michael's Church Hall (rear car park entrance), Leigh Road/Mount Avenue, Leigh, every Saturday 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).

Sunday, July 29

- Open Garden, 37 Picketts Avenue, Leigh,

- admission £1, refreshments, stalls, raffle, tombola, Egyptian Dancers, 2-4.30pm, in aid of Cat Action Trust 1977.
- Art and Crafts Monthly Show, Hullbridge Community Centre, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, 10.30am-3.30pm, original work from artists and craftsmen on sale, free admission and car park, 01702 233441.
- Jazz, Dinner Jazz, Ron Spack, Westcliff Hotel, Westcliff, 1pm. 01702 345247.
- Trading Hut, Hockley and District Horticultural Society, situated behind Hawkwell Village Hall, Main Road, Hawkwell, open every Sunday 10am-noon, for all your gardening sundries, membership £3.
- Canvey Miniature Railway Train Rides, situated by Waterside Sports Centre, Somers Avenue, Canvey, 10.30am-4pm, steam or electric locos, adults and children £1 each a ride, all welcome, every Sunday weather permitting.
- Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation, Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, Sundays 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.
- King's Church Southend at Blenheim School, off Blenheim Chase, Leigh, every Sunday 10.30am-noon, a church where knowing Jesus makes all the difference. 01702 523639.
- Greek Community of Southend and District, Church of St Barbara, St Phanourios and St Pauls, Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, every Sunday 10am-noon. 01702 466435.
- Sunday Club, TGH Evangelical Church, Kiln Road, Thundersley, (children 3-12 years), Bible stories, craft, singing, every Sunday 10.45-11.45am, no charge, further details 01702 554904.

Monday, July 30

- Mainstream Jazz, Spike's Place Jazz Club, Hadleigh Conservative Club, 24 High Street, Hadleigh, 'Julian Marc String Quartet', 8.30pm. 01245 420475.
- Annual General Meeting, SE Essex Epilepsy Support Group, Southend Adult Community College, Ambleside Drive, Southend, 7.30pm, anyone with an interest in Epilepsy is welcome to attend, further details from Peter Hall at peterjh@tiscali.co.uk
- Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Jazztet with Dave Jago (trombone) and Alex Field (guitar), 8.30pm, 01702 512819.
- Health Walk, Richmond Hall, 10.30am, meet Richmond Hall car park, Benfleet, details 01702 318121, every Monday.
- Health Walk, Hullbridge Community Centre, 10.45am, car parking available Ferry Road and Pooles Lane, every Monday.
- Over 50's session, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, 12.30pm-2.30pm badminton, 2pm-4pm table tennis, £3.60, includes refreshments and use of equipment, details 01268 779100.
- Duplicate Bridge, Balmoral Bridge Club, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh (opposite Thames Drive), Mondays 1.15pm-4.30pm and Tuesdays 7pm-10.30pm, call Vernon on 01702 343611 or Tony 01702 520393.
- Duplicate Bridge, Thorpe Bay Bridge Club, 62 Southchurch Boulevard, Southend, non-members of all standards welcome, Mondays 2-4.45pm (no partner needed), evenings 7.30-10.30pm, call Danny 07843 771774.
- Weekly Craft Workshop, St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, every Monday 6-8pm, Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group, Mondays and Wednesdays 8-10pm, Woodlands School, Basildon, further details Jeff Levy 07951 681582 or email join@basildonplayers.co.uk
- Zumba, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
- Beginners Computer Course, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday, 11am-1pm. 01268 465432.
- Club 60, Floor 3, Queensway House, Essex Street, Southend, various activities every weekday, 9.30-4pm, tea bar, non-members welcome, £2 day pass, details 01702 613562.
- Short Mat Bowls club in Hadleigh, new hall all mod/cons, 4 mats, Monday and Wednesday evenings welcomes new members, Canvey Short Mat Bowls Club, please ring Kevin on 01268 792433.
- Short Mat Bowls, Monday/Tuesday afternoons in Thundersley, beginners welcome, details 01268 779174.
- Indoor Short Mat Bowls, Prittlewell Bowls Club, Priory Park, Southend, two mats available, with 5 day sessions, Monday to Friday, new players welcome, details Ray 01268 777666.
- Indoor Bowls, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over 50s, Mondays 2-4pm, Tuesdays 2.15-4.45pm, Wednesdays 1.30-3.30pm. 01268 465854.
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- Basildon, for over 50s, every Monday 10am-noon, details 01268 465854.
- Senior Citizens Club, Ghylgrove Centre, Butneys, every Monday 1.30-3.30pm, make friends, bingo, trips. 01268 293995.
- Pensioners Stall, York Road Outdoor Market, Southend, all tops, skirts and trousers all at £1 each, every Monday and Thursdays 8am-2pm.
- Evening of Clairvoyance, Room 2, Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey, every Monday, doors open 7.30pm, admission £3, all profits donated to local charities, healing available after service 9pm, enquiries 01268 691922.
- Healing, every Monday in Basildon from 10.30am-4pm, qualified NFSH healers, no charge, all donations to local Hospice, call 07956 353564 for an appointment.
- Development Healing Circle, Face Salon, Burdett Avenue, Westcliff, an understanding of spiritual healing and prayer, every Monday 8-9.30pm, 07879 00474.
- Fitness Walking, from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh, Mondays and Thursdays 7.15-8.15pm, 01702 715509.
- Scrabble Club, Wesley Methodist Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, (opposite police station), friendly club, all standards welcome, every Monday 7-10pm, £2.50, just turn up or call 01268 727915.
- Sequence Tea Dance, Ashingdon Memorial Hall, Ashingdon, Rochford, Mondays 2-4pm, visitors Welcome. 01702 205969.

Tuesday, July 31

- Carers Group Meeting - Mental Health, New Church Hall, 1 Swanage Road, Southend, 8pm, support group for relatives and friends, supported by Rethink, just turn up or further details 01702 330267.
- Health Walk, Salvation Army, Hadleigh, 10.30am, meet Castle Lane car park, Hadleigh, every Tuesday, 01702 318121.
- Table Tennis, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, 7.30pm-10.30pm, £3.50, details 01268 779100.
- Exercise Class for people with breathing difficulties, run by 'Breathe Easy' part of the British Lung Foundation, Ambleside Sports and Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, Tuesdays 12.45-2.30pm. 01702 610050/466827.
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■ Singles Social Group, meets The Meadow Lark, Artillery Avenue, Shoebury (just past Asda roundabout), age group 50-65, every Tuesday 8pm. 07752 613021.
■ Singles Friendship Club for 50 plus, South Benfleet Social Club, every Tuesday 8.15pm, Maureen 01268 692998.
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■ Social Tea Dance, Ashington Memorial Hall, Ashington Road, Ashington, Tuesdays 2-4pm. 01702 230480.
■ Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mercap), Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, Tuesdays 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, membership details 01702 341250.
■ Tuesday Luncheon Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, further details 01702 478691/525141/340617.
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Wednesday, August 1

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■ Circle Dancing, Wesley Methodist Church, Room 3, Elm Road, Leigh, 1.30-3pm, further details Pat 020 8556 3508.
■ Group Support, Basildon Eating Disorders and Mental Health Support (BEAMS), meet first Wednesday of each month 6pm-8pm, help-lines all other Wednesdays 5-8pm. 01268 442059/07944 189640.
■ Health Walk, Canvey Sea Wall, 10.30am, meet Labworth car park, Canvey Island, every Wednesday, details 01702 318121.
■ Pulse Drum Club, St David's Church Hall, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, every Wednesday 3.45pm - 4.45pm, £3 per session. 01702 540111.
■ Palace Writers Group, every Wednesday 7.30pm, alternating venues with the Palace and Cliffs Pavilion, open mic events and public readings planned, further details Emily 01702 300472.
■ Meeting, Roche Art Group, St Teresa's Church Hall, located behind the Church, 109 Ashington Road, Rochford, Wednesdays 7.30-9.30pm, visitors welcome, further details Gill 01702 421737.
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Thursday, August 2

■ Meeting, Parkinson's UK, The Crowstone Christian Centre, Crowstone Road, Westcliff, 2pm-4pm, meetings held first Thursday of the month, £2 including refreshments, Joyce May 01702 339088.
■ Eastwood Ladies Evening Club, Eastwood Memorial Hall, Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, 7.45pm, meet first and third Thursday of the month, call 01702 529216.
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■ Jive Classes, Ambleside Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, 8pm, all ages welcome, no need to bring a partner, every Thursday, £4 (first night free), 07771 831507.
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■ Jazz, Ron Spack's Dinner Jazz, Rayleigh Lodge Thai Restaurant, The Chase, Rayleigh, 7.30pm, featuring Chris English (keyboards), details 01268 742149.
■ Buddies Over 50 Singles Club, Anchor Pub, Benfleet, 8.30pm every Thursday, meet new friends, varied social activities, further details Jill 01268 753667.
■ Meeting, Westcliff National Spiritualist Church, Hildaville Drive, Westcliff, every service we have mediums that demonstrate clairvoyance, Thursdays 7.30pm and Sundays 6.30pm.
■ Coffee, Cake and Chat, WI Hall, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh, ladies and gentlemen, join us every Thursday 2pm, Di 07952 148636 or Linda 07504 114762.
■ Stalls in Outpatients Department, next to post box, Southend Hospital, books, bric-a-brac, hand knits etc, every Thursday 8.30am-3.30pm, all proceeds to Bosom Pals Appeal.
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■ Ceramics, The George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Thursday 2-4pm, 01268 465854.
■ Why not try Carpet Bowls, The Salvation Army Hall, Elm Road, Leigh, Thursdays 2-4pm, £4, first 3 weeks free, 01702 553546.
■ Clairvoyance, Shoebury Spiritual Centre, The Sandpiper Community Centre, Sandpiper Close, Shoebury, Thursdays 8-10pm, free healing, admission £3. 01702 476087.

■ Healing, The Cedars, Castle Road, Rayleigh, fully trained healers by Essex Healers Association, Thursdays 10-11.30am, all welcome.

Friday, August 3

■ Evening of Mediumship, Great Mitley Scout Hut, Vange, Basildon, 'Penny Hayward', 7.30-9pm.
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■ Table Tennis, Markhams Chase Sports Centre, Basildon, every Friday 2pm, £2.50 per session.
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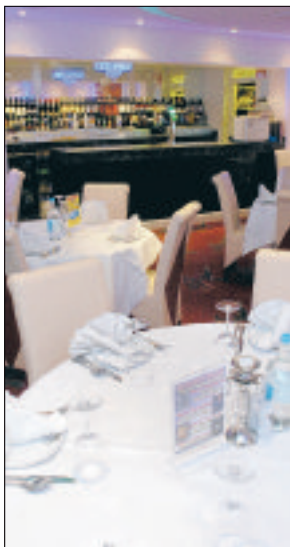
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Regency Spice has plenty to offer

ONE of the largest restaurants in Essex has become a firm favourite with diners since opening its doors nearly two years ago.

Regency Spice Restaurant, Lounge and Diner, in Back Lane, Rochford, looks set to continue its popularity thanks to its exquisite food that looks sensational and tastes divine.

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Regency Spice offers a vast menu including a range of dishes from chef's recommendations to Regency specialities.

There are a range of tandoori specialities, balti dishes, Nepalese and Bangladeshi specialities, Thali and Kurzi specials, Persian, chicken, meat, fresh fish and shellfish dishes, as well as Thai specialities, vegetarian options and Regency Combination Platters for two or four people.

These are complemented by a wide range of starters, rice dishes, nan breads, sundries and pickles, and desserts. The fully licensed and air-conditioned restaurant also offers an extensive drinks list including a wide range of beers and wine.

Regency Spice offers a five-course Midweek Special (served Monday to Thursday), for £12.95 and includes any starter and main dish, rice or nan bread, and a side dish, as well as tea or coffee, as well as a Business Lunch offer from noon to 2.30pm on weekdays with a choice of dishes for just £8.95 per person.

The restaurant also has a Sunday Buffet, served from noon to 11.30pm, where customers can eat as much as they like from a large selection of delicious dishes for £7.95 per person, or £3.95 for under 10s.

Tony, the owner of Regency Spice, has been in the catering business for 40 years. He prides himself on the restaurant, which is a wonderful place to celebrate a



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Staff are now taking bookings for a special Rihanna tribute night on Thursday, September 13, as well as an Abba Unique Girls tribute evening on Thursday, September 27.

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cinema

Parting is such sweet sorrow

by **Damon Smith**

DIRECTOR Christopher Nolan completes his dark and brooding trilogy based on the DC Comics crime-fighter in suitably grandiose fashion, delivering not only the longest film in the series but also the most brutal, violent and satisfying.

Replete with more than an hour of footage shot on IMAX cameras to enhance picture quality and truly immerse the audience in the pulse-quicken action, The Dark Knight Rises ends Nolan's tenure on a giddy high.

It's to the London-born film-maker's credit that he resisted the urge to jump on the 3D bandwagon for the caped crusader's swansong.

Certainly, the breathlessly orchestrated action sequences, including the spectacular opening aboard a huge C-130 Hercules transport plane, would draw bigger gasps in the eye-popping format.

However, Nolan has always focused on the characters and their twisted psychologies, and he puts all of them and us through the emotional wringer in this final chapter, co-written by his brother Jonathan.

Christian Bale brings typical intensity to the title role and the tender bond with Sir Michael Caine's lackey continues to tug heartstrings.

Thankfully, Tom Hardy's electronic vocals have been improved since the early trailers for the film so his masked villain is largely intelligible and Anne Hathaway slinks away from Michelle Pfeiffer's memorable portrayal of Catwoman but still purses some choice one-liners.

It is eight years since Batman falsely assumed responsibility for the death of District Attorney Harvey Dent (Aaron Eckhart) in order to bring the anti-crime legislation into effect and crush Gotham's criminal fraternity.

The caped crusader is a fading memory and crippled billionaire Bruce Wayne (Bale) has become a virtual recluse, holed up in his manor with trusty butler Alfred (Caine).

An encounter with wily cat burglar Selina Kyle (Hathaway) draws Bruce into the orbit of hulking terrorist Bane (Hardy), who intends to complete the work of Ra's al

Ghul (Liam Neeson) and destroy Gotham and its money-oriented denizens.

A dastardly plot unfolds but Bruce is physically and mentally unable to stop gangs of gun-toting mercenaries from overwhelming Commissioner Gordon (Gary Oldman) and the Gotham police force, including idealistic officer John Blake (Joseph Gordon-Levitt).

As Bane's uprising gathers momentum, Bruce turns to technical genius Lucius Fox (Morgan Freeman) and loyal board member Miranda Tate (Marion Cotillard) to protect his beloved Wayne Enterprises.

Alas, money can only go so far and Bruce must don his cowl one final time, putting his life on the line to save the residents of Gotham, who had previously turned their backs on him.

"I won't bury you. I've buried enough members of the Wayne family," warns Alfred, tears glistening.

The Dark Knight Rises should satisfy ardent fans of the previous two instalments while delivering all of the slam-bang thrills required of a muscular summer blockbuster.

Nolan effortlessly sustains tension throughout, harking back to earlier episodes as he sews up some but not all of the sinewy plot threads.

Heath Ledger's Joker is noticeable by his absence and never mentioned.

"The Batman has to come back," whispers Commissioner Gordon at one point, echoing the sentiments of fans around the world.

Some prayers are never answered.



SUPERHERO: Christian Bale as Batman. Picture by PA Photo/Warner Bros

FILM FACTS

The Dark Knight Rises (12A, 164 mins) Action/Thriller. Christian Bale, Michael Caine, Gary Oldman, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy, Marion Cotillard, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Morgan Freeman, Liam Neeson. Director: Christopher Nolan. Released: July 20 Rating: 9/10

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Sunshine on a shoestring

By Abi Jackson

THINK of holidays in Crete, or any of the Greek islands in fact, and busy beachside hotels and sea-view villas spring easily to mind.

Filion Suites Resort & Spa, however, is nestled near the top of a small, sleepy valley, surrounded by nothing but farmland and overlooking the fishing village of Bali, a 15-minute drive away on the coast.

Opened in 2010, the hotel was, for all intents and purposes, poised for rapid success with its modern, stylish decor, five-star standards and a picture postcard setting.

Out of its owners' control, though, was the financial crisis which was about to hit. Like much of Greece and its islands, Crete relies heavily on tourism. With a reliable climate, safe, warm seas, stunning landscapes and delicious cuisine, thankfully trade is usually steady.

But negative press can rock the boat, and with the region's economic woes falling under the spotlight, the locals are more anxious than ever about drawing in visitors.

For holidaymakers like me,

especially with summer in Blighty being in a pretty dismal state, there is no greater draw than sunshine.

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Optimistically, I pack two bottles of factor 25. I could have gone for the 35 though as the weather's gorgeous but just on the comfortable side of scorching, and my boyfriend and I have smiles plastered on our faces all the way to Filion, a 45-minute transfer away from the airport in Heraklion.

It's such a peaceful setting. Yet

Bali is just a 15-minute drive away and Filion runs a regular free shuttle service to and from the village centre throughout the day, so guests can easily venture out to explore.

The hotel has 50 superior double rooms, 20 pool-front suites and three luxury villas with private pools.

For everyone else, there are three decent-sized pools surrounded by sun-loungers, situat-

DIVE IN: The main pool at Filion Suites Resort & Spa, Crete.
Picture by PA Photo/Filion Suites Resort & Spa



ed within easy reach of the bar.

Our superior double is spacious, air-conditioned and comfortable and has everything we need. Our private balcony looks out over the pool area, valley and sea beyond.

Staying half-board means breakfast and dinner at the hotel is included. Both meals are served as buffets, and there's a good choice for each.

This holiday is all about relaxing and unwinding - the old-fashioned way. By lying back, feeling the rays on your skin, and indulging in simple pleasures.

Every now and then the calm is interrupted by a sudden splash or a happy squeal. The hotel is child-friendly, but because it's not huge and slightly removed

from all the action of the main resorts, it will never be heaving or noisy.

We take three trips into Bali, a charming little place hovering between tourist hot-spot and traditional fishing village.

There are two small but perfectly formed beaches, separated by a rocky divide (hence the W-shape). You can hire sun-loungers and umbrellas for two euros a day.

For active types, there are excursions available. Boat trips are a good choice and available from around 25 euros upwards.

One thing's for sure, Greece's credit rating may be at an all-time low, but the sunshine, and the hosts, are as glorious and warm as ever.

TRAVEL FACTS

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by Lisa Haynes

WITH holiday season upon us, it's officially time to pack for the great escape.

But whether you're driving to the British coast or jetting away to foreign climes, make sure it's a glamorous getaway.

For Europe-bound Brits, the average suitcase is packed with £580 worth of stylish clobber, according to recent research by Very.co.uk.

But it's important not to go overboard and risk losing your holiday spending money at the excess baggage counter.

Pack a capsule wardrobe to impress with our practical guide.

■ Plane thinking

Never leave your packing until a few hours before you're due to check in. Cue snap decisions, highly impractical pieces and forgotten underwear/swimwear/shoes.

Some pre-vacation planning will make pulling holiday ensembles together a breeze on arrival.

Think about where you're going, for how long, what you'll be doing and, most importantly, the weather outlook.

Assess how travel-friendly fabrics are and how they'll fare after a stint in the suitcase - nobody wants to spend their holiday at the ironing board.

Fine knits, chiffon and denim travel more easily than linen, silk and heavy cotton.

■ Glamour on the go

You don't have to pack everything but the kitchen sink to look vacation-chic.

The trick is to select versatile pieces that double up and have more than one purpose.

If your destination's hot, hot, hot, try sheer dresses that you can wear over swimwear by day and over a slip teamed with heels for sunset evenings.

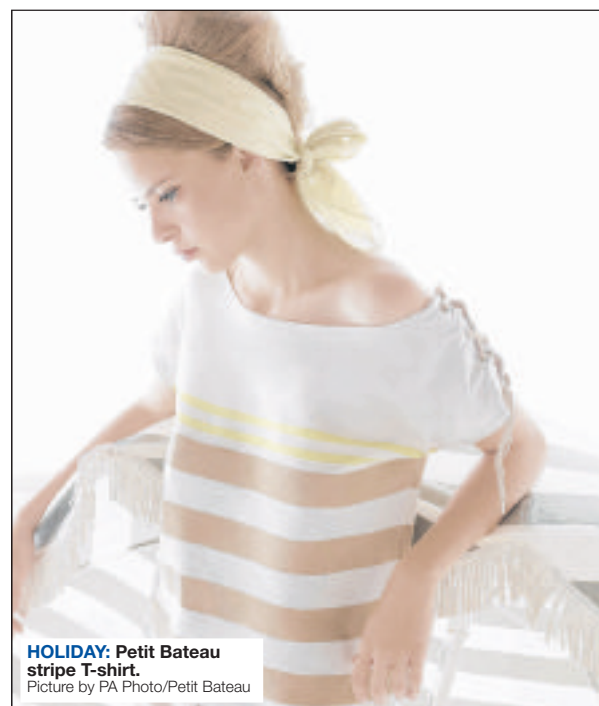
You're on holiday so ditch the black and dark colours and aim for a suitcase of white and lighter, brighter shades that you usually wouldn't dare to wear at home or in the office.

■ Best of order

Say bon voyage to chaos and hello to suitcase order for a super-stylish vacation.

Start with packing shoes on the bottom. Protect their shape by stuffing them with socks or tank tops. Protect any favourite shoes in drawstring cloth bags so they don't get scratched. Layer in denim, folded in half and then layer in everything else, laying it flat with as few folds as possible: trousers, sweaters, dresses.

On top, place the more fragile items - anything chiffon, beaded or sequinned - and turn inside out so they won't catch. You can also wrap these in



**HOLIDAY: Petit Bateau
stripe T-shirt.**
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plastic or tissue paper to protect them.

Don't overstuff your bags. Clothes and even shoes can end up badly creased and you'll risk paying extra pounds at check-in.

Keep jewellery and other valu-

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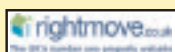


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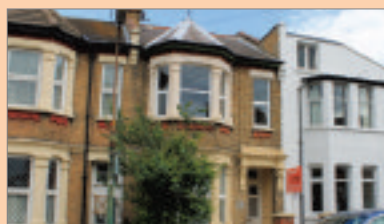




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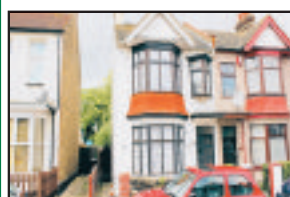
SHOEBURYNESSE £164,950

Three bedroom semi detached family home on walk-way position, Open plan Lounge / Dining room, Conservatory, Family bathroom, Double Glazed, Rear Garden, Garage, Close to Shoebury Railway Station



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £165,000

South of London Road close to all amenities. Three bedroom split level apartment in good decorative order throughout, Lounge / Diner, Balcony, Double Glazed, Central Heating, Allocated Parking, Communal Gardens,



WESTCLIFF ON SEA £179,995

Larger than average three bedroom family house, Lounge, recently installed Kitchen, majority double glazed, West backing rear garden, EARLY VIEWING ADVISED



SOUTHEND ON SEA £169,995

Three bedroom semi-detached family house in need of some modernisation and improvement. Reception hall. Lounge. Separate dining room. Kitchen. Three good size bedrooms. Bathroom and separate w.c. Large garden. Independent driveway. Garage & store. Gas central heating via radiators (not tested).



SOUTHEND ON SEA £134,950

Two/three bedroom maisonette arranged over first and second floors offering estuary views. Entrance hall. Lounge with estuary view. Kitchen. Two bedrooms. Bedroom three/study. Bathroom/w.c. Gas central heating via radiators (not tested). Part double glazed. In need of some modernisation and redecoration. Early vacant possession.



88 MILTON STREET, SOUTHEND, SS2 5BU £55,500

We are acting in the sale of the above property and have received an offer of £55,500. Any interested parties must submit any higher offers in writing to the selling agent before an exchange of contracts takes place

LETTINGS



STORNOWAY ROAD, SOUTHEND £500 PCM
 Large first floor ONE double bedroom flat close to Southchurch Road shops. LOUNGE WITH BAY WINDOW. FITTED KITCHEN/DINER. CENTRAL HEATING. DOUBLE GLAZED. GARDEN WITH DIRECT ACCESS. Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS2 4NZ



LITTLE WAKERING ROAD, BARLING MAGNA £595 PCM
 ONE double bedroom first floor flat in Barling Magna within easy reach of Southend Airport. OWN ENT DOOR. LOUNGE. NEW KITCHEN WITH APPLIANCES. BATHROOM WITH SHOWER. PARKING SPACE. Available end August: Unfurnished: No Pets: S03 0LR

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CAMBRIDGE ROAD, SOUTHEND £650 PCM
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STATION ROAD, SOUTHEND £650 PCM
 Large TWO double bedroom flat arranged over first and second floors located close to Westcliff railway station. LARGE LOUNGE WITH BAY WINDOW. NEWLY FITTED KITCHEN. DOUBLE GLAZED. CENTRAL HEATING. Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS0 7SB



HAMLET COURT ROAD, SOUTHEND £650 PCM
 First floor flat close to Hamlet Court Road shops. LOUNGE: FITTED KITCHEN: ONE DOUBLE, ONE SINGLE BEDROOM: LUXURY BATHROOM WITH JACUZZI BATH: CENTRAL HEATING: GARDEN: Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS0 7DE



WEAVERDALE, SHOEBURY £650 PCM
 Modern house on a walkway position within easy reach of ASDA superstore. LOUNGE: MODERN KITCHEN: ONE DOUBLE, ONE SINGLE BEDROOM: NIGHT STORAGE HEATING: DOUBLE GLAZED: LAWNED GARDEN: COMMUNAL PARKING: Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS3 8XL



OLD SOUTHEND ROAD, SOUTHEND £1,250 PCM
 Large FIVE double bedroom house close to Southend Town Centre and University. LOUNGE: DINING ROOM: FITTED KITCHEN: TWO SHOWER ROOMS/WC: CENTRAL HEATING: PARKING. Available early August: Part or Unfurnished: No Pets: SS1 2HA



KENWAY, SOUTHEND £595 PCM
 IMMACULATE first floor ONE double bedroom apartment close to Prittlewell and Victoria railway stations. SEC ENT: LARGE LOUNGE WITH OPEN PLAN KITCHEN WITH BUILT-IN APPLIANCES: BATHROOM WITH SHOWER: STORAGE: HEATING: PARKING: Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS2 5DZ



THE LEAS, WESTCLIFF £900 PCM
 Large self-contained flat with Estuary views. OWN ENT DOOR: LOUNGE/DINER: MODERN FITTED KITCHEN: DINING ROOM: ONE DOUBLE, ONE SINGLE BEDROOM: CENTRAL HEATING: COURTYARD GARDEN: Available now: Unfurnished: No Pets: SS0 8EB



MARINE AVENUE, WESTCLIFF £595 PCM
 Top floor flat just off the seaford. LOUNGE WITH FEATURE FIREPLACE: MODERN KITCHEN WITH APPLIANCES: ONE DOUBLE, ONE SINGLE BEDROOM / STUDY: CENTRAL HEATING: Available now: Furnished: No Pets: SS0 7PS

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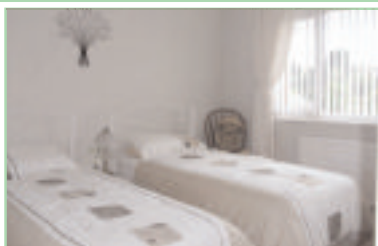
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SHOEBURYNES £229,995

A well-presented and attractive mid terraced Georgian style home within a popular and sought after area of Shoeburyness. The property offers 3 good size bedrooms and benefits from being a short walk to Thorpe Bay Station, local shops, schools for all ages and the seafront. A **DECEPTIVELY LARGE PROPERTY WHICH MUST BE VIEWED!**

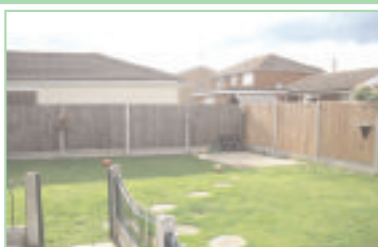


HADLEIGH £1,350 PCM

5 BEDROOM FAMILY HOME. Set on the borders of Hadleigh and Leigh this property is close to LEIGH TRAIN STATION and bus links to Southend. With 2 large reception rooms and a spacious kitchen diner, this property would make an **IDEAL FAMILY HOME.**

WESTCLIFF ON SEA £214,995

A large 5 bedroom house with 3 reception rooms, kitchen/diner and downstairs cloak room. Some modernisation is required which is reflected in the price. The property would make an excellent family home or subject to consent and planning has the potential to be split into 2 flats.



CANVEY ISLAND £240,000

We are delighted to offer this 3/4 bedroom detached property within one of the most sought after areas of Canvey Island. The property benefits from lounge/diner, large kitchen, downstairs cloakroom, family bathroom, garage, off street parking and a large rear garden. **VIEW**



BRAMBLE ROAD, HADLEIGH £270,000

Situated on the extremely popular BRAMBLE ROAD, We are delighted to offer this MODERN 3 bedroom bungalow. The property boasts SPACIOUS living accommodation with a contemporary feel. Located close to woodland and schools for all ages, this property will make an ideal FAMILY HOME.



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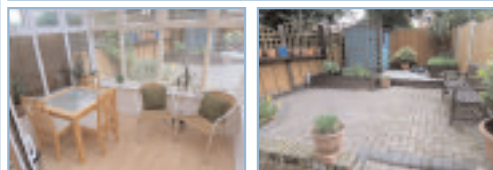
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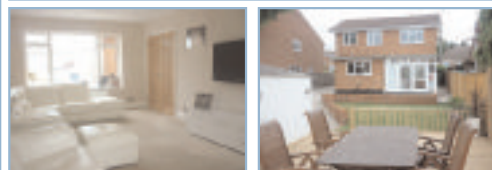
£191,000



Connells of Rayleigh are delighted to offer for sale this beautiful two bedroom end of terrace property set in this quiet close with easy access to the A130 featuring from ALLOCATED PARKING FOR TWO CARS, GAS CENTRAL HEATING, DOUBLE GLAZING, CONSERVATORY, GROUND FLOOR WC, TWO DOUBLE BEDROOMS.

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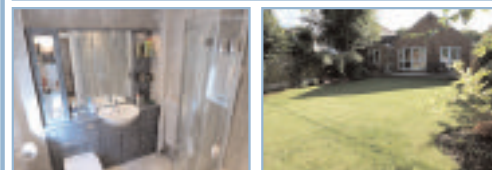
£319,995



Connells of Rayleigh are delighted to offer for sale this recently refurbished three bedroom detached Georgian house, benefiting Lounge, modern kitchen/diner, Ground floor WC with modern sanitary ware, first floor bathroom, landscaped rear garden, detached double garage, ample off-street parking.

BENFLEET

£290,000



MANAGERS CHOICE - Connells of Rayleigh are pleased to offer for sale this delightful three bedroom detached bungalow set on this quiet tree-lined road and within easy reach of the A13 and A127. Please call now to view this beautiful property on 01268 777 767.

RAYLEIGH

£189,995



Connells of Rayleigh are delighted to offer for sale this two bedroom semi detached bungalow situated close to the Rayleigh High Street. The property offers two bedrooms, lounge, kitchen, lean to, rear garden and off street parking all offered with no onward chain.

RAYLEIGH

£219,995



Semi detached bungalow
Two bedrooms
Off street parking
Close to high street

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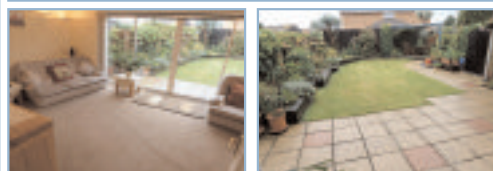
£309,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this three bedroom detached property on this quiet road within walking distance to the river, local shops and all amenities. This property benefits from off street parking for two cars, integral garage, day room, ground floor WC and 150ft rear garden.

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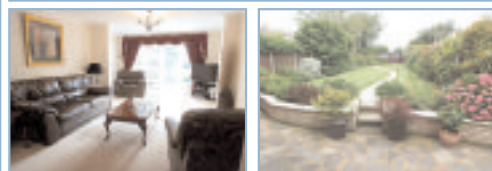
£309,995



Connells are pleased to offer for sale this four bedroom detached family home set on this ever popular estate within easy access to the A130 and close to the main line station, feature Off street parking for two cars, garage, detached, downstairs WC, under floor heating and separate dining room.

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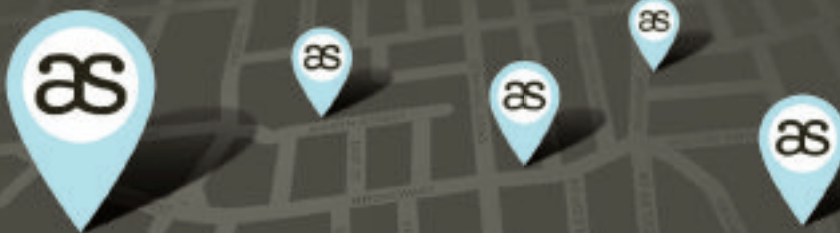
CALL NOW TO VIEW THIS IMMACULATE FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOM DETACHED HOUSE benefitting from three reception rooms, large fitted kitchen, ground floor WC, luxury first floor bathroom, potential for two en-suite bathrooms, rear garden measuring in excess of 100ft, integral garage & off-street parking.

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OIEO £399,995



Connells of Rayleigh are delighted to offer for sale this five bedroom detached family home, offering three reception rooms, kitchen breakfast room, utility room, conservatory, downstairs WC, en-suite bathroom. Rear garden in excess of 100ft with built-in swimming pool and ample offstreet parking.



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HOT PROPERTY IN LEIGH, CHALKWELL & WESTCLIFF



NEW



Chalkwell £289,995

Ashleigh Stone are offering for sale this very imposing ground floor flat forming part of a semi detached house in Westcliff on Sea. The property has the added benefit of off street parking for the front for 2-3 cars its own private rear garden and is being sold with the freehold for the whole block. Inside there are two bedrooms, two bathrooms, two reception rooms and is in excellent condition ready to be moved straight into.

Westcliff On Sea £189,995

A lovely three bedroom character end of terraced family home. The property comprises two reception rooms, modern fitted kitchen with built in appliances on the ground floor with three bedrooms and bathroom on the first floor.



South of The London Road £179,995

Located South of the London Road, this super two bedroom first floor flat is ideally situated for the Broadway with its many bars, cafes and shops and for the train station. The flat comes with a great size lounge and master bedroom, making this a fantastic first time purchase.

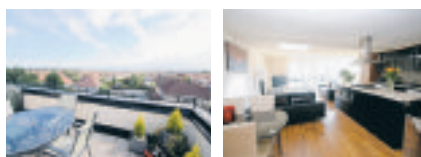


Westcliff On Sea £129,995

Ashleigh Stone are delighted to offer this two bedroom first floor flat within this detached property. The lounge has a large double glazed bay window which makes it feel light and airy. The flat also benefits from a modern fitted kitchen and a long lease. Offered with no onward chain.



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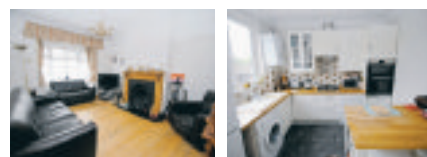


Leigh On Sea £199,995

Unbelievable views over the Thames Estuary spanning from Hadleigh down to Southend Pier. This two bedroom top floor apartment with shared parking and is situated above the shops on the London Road with a communal entrance then own front door, once inside the apartment you will not want to leave, it has been beautifully decorated and would be on everyone's top list. Call now to view.



GREAT HOUSE



Leigh On Sea £229,995

Ashleigh Stone are favoured with instructions to sell this delightful three bedroom family home. The property has been lovingly improved by the current owner and now offers a beautiful lounge with feature fireplace, a modern open plan kitchen diner with built in appliances, off street parking and approx 88' rear garden.

Off the Broadway £650 pcm

Ideally located for the Broadway with its many bars, shops and cafes is this spacious one bedroom ground floor flat which is available now.



TO LET

Off the Broadway £725 pcm

A Fantastic two bedroom first floor located with its own garden with direct access from the kitchen close to the Broadway. The flat has been freshly decorated and is available now.



TO LET

Chalkwell £800 pcm

Ashleigh Stone are offering this great two double bedroom second floor flat, which is in super condition. The flat comes with white goods in the kitchen and an en suite shower room to the master bedroom. The block also has a communal garden and parking.



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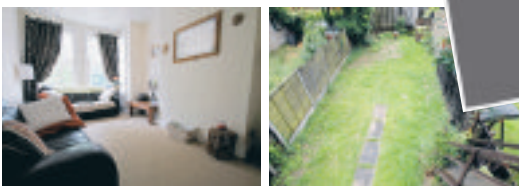
**CLIFFTOWN CONSERVATION AREA £385,000**

Detached character property situated within the heart of the Clifftown Conservation Area. The property offers attractive open plan living accommodation with stunning fitted kitchen and two reception rooms, long with ground floor cloakroom/wc. Four spacious bedrooms, luxury family bathroom/wc with walk in shower cubicle and has the benefit of South backing rear garden. Application applied to the council for approval of block paved parking for two vehicles.

- Clifftown Conservation Area
- Character property
- Open plan living accommodation
- Attractive fitted kitchen
- Two reception rooms
- Ground floor cloakroom
- Four bedrooms
- South backing rear garden

ASHINGDON £375,000

Newly Built, fully detached family house offering spacious living accommodation comprising three reception rooms with quality fitted kitchen, utility room and ground floor cloakroom. Four double bedrooms, two having en-suite shower rooms plus a further family bathroom/wc, full double glazing, integral garage and parking.

SOUTHEND ON SEA £135,000

Spacious three double bedroom first and second floor maisonette being situated conveniently for Prittlewell Station and benefitting from own share of rear garden. There is a large lounge, shower room/wc and fitted kitchen and an internal viewing is strongly advised to appreciate the size of the accommodation on offer.

WESTCLIFF ON SEA £196,500

Sought after location of Westcliff, South of the London Road this end of terrace house. The property offers large ground floor living accommodation including an attractive fitted kitchen/breakfast room. To the first floor there are two double bedrooms along with large bathroom/wc, attractive rear garden and block paving to front with off street parking. The property has been immaculately maintained throughout and offers early vacant possession.

WESTCLIFF ON SEA £115,000

Being situated within a popular location of Westcliff is this spacious two bedroom ground floor flat benefitting from a spacious lounge and a good size kitchen/diner. The property is double glazed and benefits from gas central heating via radiators and there is an attractive rear garden. There is no onward chain and keys are held for viewings.

SOUTHEND ON SEA £155,000

Mid terrace three bedroom family house being situated in Southchurch Village convenient for shops and mainline railway station to Fenchurch Street. Lounge, kitchen/ breakfast room, ground floor wc, conservatory, loft room and approximately 60' rear garden. No onward chain.

SOUTHEND ON SEA £525 pcm

Ground floor flat situated within a central location of Southchurch, large lounge, two double bedrooms, fitted kitchen with plumbing and recess for washing machine, recess for electric cooker/ gas point, space for fridge, bathroom / wc with white suite with chrome fittings, full double glazing, gas central heating, own area of West backing rear garden.

SOUTHEND ON SEA £630 pcm

Spacious first floor flat situated in a central location and popular location of Southchurch, large lounge incorporating fitted kitchen area, two double bedrooms, utility room, bathroom/wc, full gas central heating and double glazing. Possible off street parking. Includes gas usage.

SOUTHEND ON SEA £800 pcm

Semi detached bungalow situated within the sought after Earls Hall Estate, three double bedrooms, one reception room, fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower over bath, separate wc, gas central heating, some double glazing, attached garage with parking, 80' rear garden.

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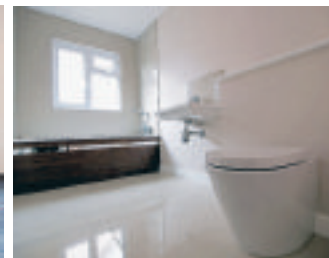
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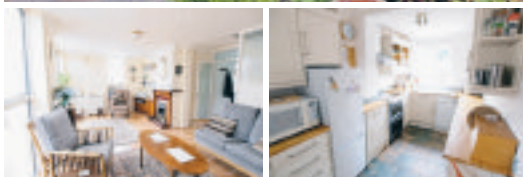
£375,000



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THUNDERSLEY \ £205,000

Three Bedroom Semi Detached House \ Integral Garage And Further Parking \ Lounge \ Diner 18'6 X 10'6 \ Kitchen 20'6 X 7'1 \ Conservatory 17'4 6'1 \ Bedroom One 10'11 X 10'10 \ Bedroom Two 13'10 X 7'3 \ Bedroom Three 11'0 X 7'5 \ Four Piece Bathroom Suite \ Most Double Glazed \ Gas Central Heating \ Convenient And Sought After Location \ Ground Floor Cloakroom \ No Onward Chain \ Viewing Advised \ Call 01702 555888

GRAND PARADE, LEIGH-ON-SEA \ £229,995

Attractive Two Bedroom Flat \ Lounge Diner 21'04 x 14'04 \ Bedroom One 17'03 x 12'05 \ Bedroom Two 12'03 x 7'07 \ Modern kitchen with comprehensive range of units and oak work surfaces 13'05 x 7'04 \ Freshly decorated \ Superb estuary views \ Ideal location \ Close To Chalkwell Station and Leigh Broadway \ Vacant - No onward chain \ Viewings Essential \ Call 01702 555888

BENFLEET \ ONE £280,000

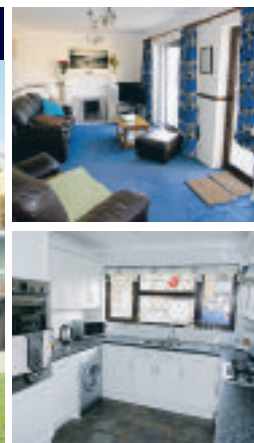
Four Bedroom Semi-Detached House \ Lounge 16'11 x 13'5 \ Dining Room 15'10 to built in units x 8'1 \ Kitchen 21'0 x 8'2 \ Conservatory 22'11 x 9'9 \ Ground Floor Bathroom \ Ground Floor Bedroom Four 10'5 x 8'10 \ Study Area 9'0 x 6'3 \ Master Bedroom 13'5 x 11'10 to built in wardrobes \ Bedroom Two 10'0 x 9'7 \ Bedroom Three 10'5 x 9'0 \ First Floor Bathroom/Shower Room \ King John School Catchment \ Large Garden \ Popular Location \ Sole Agents \ Viewing Advised \ Call 01702 555888

RAYLEIGH \ £347,500

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Three bedroom detached family home set upon a bold corner position within a highly sought after turning in Rayleigh. The property offers L-shaped lounge, dining room, ground floor cloakroom, garage, no onward chain. We hold keys for an immediate appointment to view. Call 01268 742742

RAYLEIGH \ £245,000

Delightful three bedroom detached family home positioned within an exclusive turning close to both Edward Francis & Fitzwimarc Schools. The properties features include lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, ground floor cloakroom, garage, views over the local area and a good size rear garden. Call 01268 742742.

COMMERCIAL LET \ INDUSTRIAL

Very well presented light industrial unit situated on a bold corner position within the Heron Industrial Estate in Wickford. The unit comprises of office space, staff kitchen, ladies and gents toilets and open workspace. Ample parking. Keys held for viewing. £19,000 pax. Call 01268 742742

COMMERCIAL LET \ OFFICE

A great opportunity to rent second floor office space situated which is decorated to a good standard. The two offices are available together as a suite or separately. The quoted rent includes all services. Our client is able to offer well presented office space within Hadleigh Town Centre with good transport links. From £60 per week. Call 01268 742742.

BUSINESS SALE \ BAR/CLUB

We are instructed to offer for sale our client valuable business interest in this very well positioned bar/club within a busy Essex Town Centre. The club is only open evenings at the moment but we are sure that a new owner could radically improve the already impressive turnover figures. In addition there is a function room, outside garden area and owners three bedroom flat above. Price £69,995 Call 01268 742742

COMMERCIAL LET \ OFFICE

Vacant shop/office for rent in bold main road position on the edge of Rayleigh Town Centre. The unit is available immediately and would suit a variety of trades. The unit benefits from air conditioning, burglar alarm and off street parking. Keys held for immediate viewing. £7,200 pax. Call 01268 742742.

BUSINESS SALE \ CAFE

Very well positioned Cafe business with 24 covers trading from busy shopping centre premises within Essex. Our client is only selling due to other business interests and we would suggest an immediate appointment to view. The business offers good turnover figures but we would anticipate a significant increase under new ownership with time to develop the business. £19,995 LH. Call 01268 742742

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RAYLEIGH £191,000

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FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £149,995

A TWO BEDROOM LUXURY APARTMENT IDEALLY LOCATED FOR RAYLEIGH TOWN AND STATION. THE PROPERTY BENEFITS FROM HAVING A MODERN KITCHEN AND BATHROOM, AND ALLOCATED PARKING. NO ONWARD CHAIN



TO LET

RAYLEIGH Monthly rent of £950

A THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE SITUATED IN A QUIET CUL-DE SAC LOCATION WITH FAR REACHING STUNNING VIEWS TO THE REAR. FEATURES INCLUDE LOUNGE WITH SEPARATE DINING ROOM, THREE GOOD SIZED BEDROOMS AND BATHROOM WITH SHOWER, AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £270,000

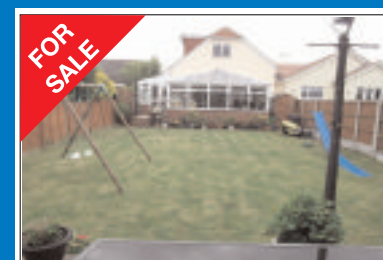
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TO LET

RAYLEIGH Monthly rent of £995

IDEALLY SITUATED FOR RAYLEIGH TOWN AND STATION, THIS IS A DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOM BUNGALOW WHICH HAS BEEN REDECORATED THROUGHOUT. AVAILABLE NOW TO WORKING TENANTS ONLY. VIEW TODAY



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £300,000 - £320,000

THIS PROPERTY IS HUGE! FOUR BEDROOMS, 22' LOUNGE, 18'7 KITCHEN, AIR CONDITIONED CONSERVATORY, BATHROOM AND SHOWER ROOM, 60' GARDEN WITH FEATURE BAR. THIS PROPERTY IS SUPERBLY PRESENTED AND HAS FAR TOO MANY FEATURES TO LIST - MUST BE VIEWED!



FOR SALE

RAYLEIGH £235,000

A THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE WHICH BENEFITS FROM HAVING A SUPERB 100' PLUS REAR GARDEN. OTHER FEATURES INCLUDE TWO RECEPTION ROOMS, MODERN BATHROOM AND EASY ACCESS TO RAYLEIGH STATION. THIS HOME MUST BE VIEWED!



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Four bedroom chalet bungalow, Leigh-on-sea £299,995

Four large bedrooms, 17'1" x 7'6" rec hall, spacious lounge, cloaks/shower/utility room, 18 x 11'10" kitchen/diner, family bathroom, gas c/h, double glazing, 40' x 50' west facing rear garden, independent driveway and parking for 3 cars, space for garage (stp) sought after location close to Bonchurch Park and walking distance of Broadway plus the station (approx 1.2 miles)



REQUIRING IMPROVEMENT, Eastwood £265,000

A fully detached three/four bedroom family house occupying an impressive plot with a very large front garden. Local shops and schools are all close by. Very spacious accommodation with Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Study/4th Bedroom, Kitchen, three first floor Bedrooms and 4th Bedroom on the Ground Floor. The property does require some improvements hence the realistic asking price.



Lots of scope and potential, Leigh £199,950

Semi detached property situated just north of the London Road, walking distance has of Chalkwell Park and Station, the property has a garage, west facing garden and potential to extend its current petite accommodation, No onward chain ref etl5028



Leigh -on-sea £379,950

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The atmosphere was relaxed and informal and there were specialists on hand to offer free advice on various property-related issues.

"This was the first time we had hosted a Vendors' Advice Event, and were prompted to do so by the number of frustrated sellers who contact us after having been on the market for some time with another agent," commented Perry Blackshaw of Blackshaw Homes

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Drivetime

Go little

By Jonathan Crouch

THE URBAN environment is tough on small city-cars, but few are better equipped to deal with it than Toyota's Aygo. Around since 2005, its been much improved in recent times in the face of tough new competition, with a fresh look and even sharper running cost efficiency. In short, there's plenty of life in it yet.

First impressions are promising. You sit fairly high in the car and all-round visibility is good with only the thick C-pillars offering a blind spot. The driving position is good, the mirrors are clear and all of the controls are within reach. The steering wheel adjusts for rake, with the speedo binnacle moving with the column. Pop the key in, fire up the ignition and the 1.0-litre three-cylinder petrol engine settles back to a modest background thrum.

The spec sheet will tell you that this car will reach a top

speed of 98mph and get to 60mph from standstill in 14.2s. What it won't tell you is how nippy the car feels off the line, how it can change direction so quickly and how easy it is to park. It genuinely does feel idiot proof and if you specify it with the optional MultiMode semi-automatic transmission, you won't even have to worry about a clutch pedal.

It's in town that this car excels. The turning circle is just 4.73m, so throwing a sneaky U-turn to bag a parking spot is simplicity itself. It also means you can nudge into the very meanest parking spaces. The modest width of the Aygo also means that you don't get those heart-stopping 'will-I-won't-I' moments when negotiating city width restrictions.

As ever, the wheel-at-each corner proportions look just right and the facelifted front end isn't trying too hard either. Echoing some of the features that characterise the

larger Yaris supermini, there's a wider front bumper, with integrated foglights at each corner and a big trapezoidal air intake.

Up front, the look and feel of the fixtures and fittings has been improved with a smarter dark grey finish for the upper and lower dashboard sections, while there's also a redesigned steering wheel finished with leather trim, plus paddle controls on the steering column for models using the Multimode automated manual transmission. The wheel itself still won't adjust for reach though - only for rake.

Prices range in the £8,500 to £11,000 bracket and though there's only engine on offer, the availability of both three and five-door body styles, plus a couple of transmission options mean that most buyers can be satisfied. There's a £350 premium to go from the three to the five-door bodystyle. Oh and a £500 premium to progress from the five-speed manual gearbox to the five-speed MultiMode semi-automatic transmission that's optional on all variants but the entry-level model.

What can you expect for

your money? Well, it's a bit disappointing to find that the entry-level version does without basics like a rev counter, side rubbing strips and a 50/50 split-folding rear seat (these of course fitted further up the range on plusher variants like this one), but rather laudably, there's a proper full-sized spare wheel fitted on every model.

The Aygo has always been a cheap car to run and this improved model drives down day-to-day costs even further. Not only has the fuel economy improved but emissions have been pegged right back too. Choose a manual car and you'll be theoretically able to achieve 65.7mpg on the combined cycle, which is pretty near the top of the citycar class and a useful improvement on the original Aygo models 61.4mpg showing. More significantly, emissions drop from 109 to just 99g/km, which puts the little Toyota into a bracket where road tax is free, as is entry to the London congestion charge zone.

Insurance is rated at group 3 on the 1-50 groupings scale, which is a little dearer than the newest crop of rivals but again, not by enough to

be significant.

There aren't many companies that are as pragmatic as Toyota. It seems to come up with an eminently sensible solution to any given challenge and in the Aygo, it has a citycar that for years was the best choice in its class. And today? Well, it may not suit you if you're one of those citycar buyers always after the latest and greatest thing. If though, you put a bit of research into your buying decision, then this runabout starts to make sense.

It isn't perfect of course. There could be more room, both in the boot and for those on the back seat. But that won't be a deal-breaker for many buyers in this segment. They'll be more inter-

ested in running costs that are still top-class in this segment. And it'll be a nice bonus that the Aygo is fun to drive in a way that seems to have been excised out of some of its newer rivals, cars which feel efficient but are often strangely joyless. The 1.0-litre engine still has real character, the interior still looks appealingly cheeky and residuals remain right up there with the best.

In other words here's a Toyota that can still appeal to the heart as well as the head. It feels a little classier than its design stablemates and it's still one of the benchmarks in its class after years on the market. For a citycar of this kind, you can't ask much more than that.



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Eyes on the road

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Many motorists are unaware of their fading vision, and therefore don't realise they are unfit to drive. Furthermore, nearly half of all drivers who wear glasses or contact lenses admit they don't wear them at the wheel. As the number of drivers on our roads continues to increase, the potential for accidents is also set to rise and, with that in mind, experts recommend the following advice:

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Every day, tens of thousands of short sighted people take to our roads, having forgotten (or chosen) not to wear their glasses. The majority do not realise that in doing so, they are breaking the law. If that's you, then try to always carry a spare pair in the car. After all, in some European countries, this is a legal requirement.

If you wear contact lenses, the chances are your eyes will grow tired more quickly on a long journey, so it would be worth switching to a pair of glasses, until reaching your destination.

Some spectacles are better than others for driving. The trendy models with rimless designs, and those with particularly thin rims, are actually the most suitable, as they



allow greater all-round vision.

To reduce glare from the sun and from the lights from on-coming traffic, anti-reflection coatings can be applied to any lenses. This will help you to see more clearly, especially when driving at night.

The Highway Code states that tinted glasses and tinted motorcycle helmet visors must never be worn after dark. Nor should they be worn in conditions of poor visibility such as heavy rain, fog and during snowfall.

Like alcohol, some medicines not only impair vision, but can also slow down reaction times when driving. It's therefore worth checking with your doctor whether a prescription is safe before taking to the wheel.

The major problem is that in the majority of cases, motorists don't even realise their eye sight is posing a danger, not just to themselves, but to other road-users. If you find yourself suffering from headaches, or feeling particularly tired when driving, the best thing you can do is visit an optician. It could save your life.

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Public Notices

THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

(CENTRAL AREA AND SEAFRONT METER ZONE) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2005 (AS AMENDED) (AMENDMENT NO.4) ORDER 2012

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 32, (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and The Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004. The effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order by adding and revoking the items listed in the schedules below to incorporate additional parking bays and a loading facility.

A copy of the proposed Order, a map showing the roads to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours.

Any representations to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be sent in writing to the **Corporate Director of Enterprise Tourism & the Environment and marked for the attention of the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team at the address below by no later than 15th August 2012.**

All written representations received concerning traffic regulation Orders are public documents that may be inspected by any person on demand.

R Tinlin,
Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex. SS2 6ER

Dated: 25th July 2012

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(ii) **THE BOROUGH OF SOUTHEND ON SEA (CENTRAL AREA AND SEAFRONT METER ZONE) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2005 (AS AMENDED)**

SCHEDULE 1 – AREAS WITH LOADING BAYS – SEAFRONT AREA

Road Name	Description
Thorpe Esplanade	On the north side from a point 15 metres west of the extended western kerbline of Walton Road westwards for a distance of 15 metres with a width throughout of 2.3 metres

THE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (CENTRAL AREA AND SEAFRONT METER ZONE) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2005 (as amended)

SCHEDULE 3 Parking Place No. 9 Thorpe Esplanade and Parking Place No. 11 Thorpe Esplanade

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS) (CONSOLIDATION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2006 (AS AMENDED) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) ORDER 2012 ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order as amended, by the adding of the items listed in the Schedules below.

A copy of the proposed Order, a map showing the roads to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours.

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Dated: 25th July 2012

SCHEDULE 1 – ADDITIONS

Road	Description	Side of Road	Hours of Prohibition
New Garrison Road	In its entirety	Both	24 Hours Daily
Ashes Road	From its junction with New Garrison Road southwards for a distance of 15 metres	Both	24 Hours Daily

(ii) **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS) (CONSOLIDATION OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2006 (AS AMENDED) – SCHEDULE 16 – SAFETY RESTRICTIONS**

Road	Description	Side of Road	Hours of Prohibition
New Garrison Road	From the controlled area of the zebra crossing eastwards for a distance of 51 metres	South	8:00 am to 10:00 am and 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm Monday to Friday

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 23 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, in accordance with the scheme for the establishment of crossings for foot passengers in the Borough of Southend-on-Sea, pursuant to Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to establish an uncontrolled ("Zebra") crossing at the following location:-

Campfield Road to be located at a point 40m west of its junction with New Garrison Road

A plan showing the exact location of the crossing may be inspected at the Council's Contact Centre, Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours.

Any person desiring to object to the proposal or make other representation should send a statement in writing of either their objection or representations and the grounds thereof to the Corporate Director Of Enterprise Tourism & The Environment and marked for the attention of The Traffic Management & Road Safety Team, at the address by no later than 15th of August 2012 .

Written comments on these proposals will be public documents that may be inspected by any person on demand.

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Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex. SS2 6ER

Dated: 25th July 2012

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

TEMPORARY TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 16A (SPECIAL EVENTS)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF STOPPING)

(VARIOUS ROADS, LEIGH-ON-SEA – HADLEIGH FARM OLYMPIC MOUNTAIN BIKE EVENT – AUGUST 2012) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012

1. **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT** to allow for the: **HADLEIGH FARM OLYMPIC MOUNTAIN BIKE EVENT** on **11th - 12th AUGUST 2012** and because of the likelihood of the danger to the public it made an Order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994, the effect of which will temporarily prohibit entry and stopping on **VARIOUS ROADS** within the Borough as detailed in the schedules below:

SCHEDULE 1 – (TEMPORARY CLOSURE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC)

ROADS	SECTIONS AFFECTED	DAY AND HOURS OF RESTRICTION
BELTON WAY WEST	From its junction with Marine Parade to its junction with Leigh Marshes Access Road	08:00 Hours Saturday 11th August to – 18:30 Hours Sunday 12th August
LEIGH-ON-SEA RAIL STATION PASSENGER INTERCHANGE	The short stay area immediately west of Leigh-on-Sea Railway station forecourt. From the south kerbline of Belton Way West to its junction with Leigh-on-Sea Railway station forecourt.	10:00 Hours Friday 10th August to – 14:00 Hours Monday 13th August
LEIGH-ON-SEA RAIL STATION PASSENGER INTERCHANGE	The forecourt area of Leigh-on-Sea Railway Station in its entirety including all splitter islands	10:00 Hours Friday 10th August to – 14:00 Hours Monday 13th August

SCHEDULE 2 – (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF STOPPING)

ROADS	SECTION AFFECTED	DAY AND HOURS OF RESTRICTION
A13 LONDON ROAD	Both Sides From its junction with Thames Drive / Sutherland Boulevard westwards to the Borough Boundary	08:00 Hours Saturday 11th August to – 18:30 Hours Sunday 12th August
MARINE PARADE, LEIGH-ON-SEA	Both sides. From its junction with Hadleigh Road to its junction with Thames Drive.	08:00 Hours Saturday 11th August to – 18:30 Hours Sunday 12th August
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R Tinlin,
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Dated: 25th July 2012

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice of Application For A Premises Licence

I, Mohamad Imran Saleemi hereby make application for the grant of a Premises Licence in respect of Big News & Mini Market, 1352 London Road, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex SS9 2UH. The relevant licensable activities which it is proposed will be carried on are: the sale and supply of alcohol for consumption off the premises between 06:00-24:00 hours, Sunday to Thursday and between 06:00-02:00 hours Friday & Saturday. Interested parties and responsible authorities may make representations to the Licensing Authority (Southend-on-Sea Borough Council). All such representations shall be made in writing by 17th August 2012. Representations should be sent to The Licensing Authority, Floor 13, Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6ZG. A record of the application and the statutory register of the Licensing Authority, may be inspected at the Council's office address given above, between 08.30am and 4.45pm Monday to Friday. It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction is level 5 on the standard scale (currently £5,000). Dated: 20th July 2012

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J Chesterton,

Head of Finance and Resources

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue,
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Anthony Flaherty
Agent for the Applicant

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Notice of Application For a Premises Licence

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Trialist Brogan at the double for Blues

Southend United

A BRACE from trialist Stephen Brogan helped Southend United to a 2-0 win at Conference Premier's Braintree Town on Saturday.

The 24-year-old winger, on trial from Stalybridge Celtic, fired home in three second half minutes.

The Blues started well at the Amlin Stadium with Kevan Hurst producing a save from Town keeper Nathan McDonald.

The midfielder had another chance to score but volleyed wide from six yards after good play on the right from John Spicer, in his second trial match for the Shrimpers.

Braintree, who are only one division below the Blues following an impressive debut in the Blue Square Premier last season, had a glorious chance to open the scoring.

Sean Marks charged down Ryan Cresswell's clearance and attempted to chip trial keeper Mark Brown but did not lift it high enough, allowing the former Hibernian stopper to save.

Brown was called into action moments later, blocking Daniel Sparkes' effort.

Goalless at the break, Blues boss

Paul Sturrock introduced defender Mark Phillips, Brogan and fellow trialist Anton Peterlin.

Opportunities for both sides came with Ryan Hall firing at McDonald from 20 yards, and Josh Dawkin and Joe Yoffe, who turned out for Blues last week against West Ham United, coming close.

More changes came from Sturrock on the hour mark as Alex Woodyard, Chris Barker, Luke Prosser, David Martin and Elliot Benyon were introduced.

Three minutes after the substitutions the first goal came as Brogan rifled home a right foot shot from just outside the area.

The afternoon got better for Brogan and Southend two minutes later when he broke and produced a chip over the on-rushing McDonald and into the net.

It could have been a hat-trick for Brogan but he headed over following good play from Martin on the right.

The Blues head to Spain this weekend where they will face Real Madrid C on Saturday, and Rayo Vallecano B the following day.

They will head back to England and will host Championship side Ipswich Town on Tuesday, July 31.



Southend line up

Mark Brown, Ryan Leonard (Alex Woodyard 60), Mohamed (Mark Phillips 46), Ryan Cresswell (Chris Barker 60), Anthony Straker (Luke Prosser 60), Ryan Hall (David Martin 60), Yohan Folly (Anton Peterlin 46), John Spicer, Kevan Hurst (Stephen Brogan 46), Freddy Eastwood (Elliot Benyon 60), Jordan Robertson.

LEG UP: Yohan Folly goes for the ball at Braintree.
 Picture by Dave Montier

Spartans suffer heavy defeat

American Football

ESSEX Spartans fell to another heavy defeat on Sunday, going down 68-14 to Cambridgeshire Cats.

As the sun poured down, so did the Cambridgeshire points as the Cats dominated all aspects of the game.

Injury-depleted Spartans fought bravely, but were outclassed as the Cats were able to use their extensive roster of American servicemen to full effect.

After an early Spartans turnover, the Cats jumped out to a quick 20-0 lead in the opening quarter.

The Spartans, travelling with a smaller squad and with players asked to fill in at positions they have not played before, struggled to make an impact on the game.

The second quarter saw Spartans head coach, Marc Saunders, deliver a punishing hit to the Cats

quarterback, forcing him to fumble the football.

Spartan defensive captain Lawrence Reid scooped the loose ball and sprinted for the endzone, but the score was negated by Reid being ruled down before he advanced the ball.

As time ran down in the first half, Ally Minto finally put the visitors on the board with a long kick return, and Steve Watson connected with Paul Cossu for the two-point conversion. That left the Spartans trailing 41-8 at half-time.

Neil Cooper registered his second interception of the season in the third quarter, but any hopes of a Spartans comeback were extinguished as the Cats continued to score freely.

Craig Willis scored the Spartans final points with another long kick return, but with the conversion attempt failing, the Spartans ended the game on the wrong end of a 68-14 scoreline.

A reflective Saunders said: "Injuries have really taken their toll and attrition played a massive part in



CHASE: Essex Spartan Nick Mayer (33) makes the tackle against Cambridgeshire Cats.
 Picture by Mikey Cartwright/Ponderosa Pics

today's game. It's going to take some real Spartan courage to go toe-to-toe with the Cats next week but I have confidence that the team will rise to the challenge."

The Spartans end their 2012 season next weekend when they play the Cats at Hannakins Farm, Billericay, kicking off at 2.30pm.

Baseball



ACTION: Stuart Harper-Horn and Sam Rounce make a play at second against London Metros.

Redbacks gain play-off place

ESSEX Redbacks secured their play-off place for the second consecutive season on Sunday in a split series against the London Metros.

The Redbacks, who lead Pool B in AAA South, made life difficult for themselves in giving up seven runs in the first inning at Finsbury Park on Sunday, but fought back to win the first game 13-7.

Vince Warner worked his way back into the game from the mound to pick up his seventh win of the season, while Sam Rounce, manager Matt Jennings and GB Under-23 star Stuart Harper-Horn each had three RBIs in the come-from-behind win.

Unfortunately a similar fate was not in store in the second fixture, and they left the capital with one win and one defeat to follow on from their success at the London Tournament last weekend.

Arno Hardeveld ran into trouble early on in his league debut and Sean Briscome could not stop the rot in relief during Game Two.

However, with results going their way across the division, they still secured a play-off berth even if they did not win their league outright as Matt Jennings' team now cannot finish lower than second place.

Head coach Jennings said: "Today we took one step closer to play-off qualification but I'm surprised that the Metros are so far back, as with further displays like this one they will certainly be title contender very soon."

"We need to stem this flow of errors that is spoiling our potential to sweep aside our opponents at present."

Wanstead win top of the table clash

Shepherd Neame Essex Cricket

PREMIER DIVISON

WANSTEAD & Snaresbrook won the crunch match at the top to go above Chelmsford after their emphatic 10-wicket win on Saturday.

Chelmsford won the toss and batted first but lost two early wickets of Adil Dewan and Nick Prowting at 8-2.

Dan Hagen steadied the ship with 63, but Wanstead's bowlers were consistent, with Maurice Chambers, Mohammed Fayyaz Khan and Joe Ellis-Grewal taking three wickets apiece.

Chelmsford were dismissed for 138, but their bowlers could not remove Wanstead's opening pair of John Chambers (44 not out) and Arfan Akram (83 not out) as their side cruised to the win and went five points clear at the top.

In the afternoon's other fixture which beat the weather, Shenfield are fourth following their four wicket win over strugglers Ilford.

The match was reduced to a minimum of 76 overs but Ilford failed to get into gear, putting up

122-9 as Arshad Ali took 4-48 for Shenfield.

Despite Ilford's Theeban Tavarasa taking three wickets, Ali (36) and Daniel Jacob (34 not out) kept their cool for Shenfield to claim the spoils.

DIVISION ONE

LEADERS Chingford suffered a surprise six wicket defeat to Loughton.

Batting first, Chingford failed to hit the high scores as Bilal Butt took 5-58 for Loughton, backed up by 3-34 for Mohammed Hafeez as Chingford went for 162.

Loughton lost the wickets of Farid Butt and Faisal Shah in quick succession at 46-2, but Amar Nico Akhtar helped with 48 to see his side home.

Upminster closed the gap to two points thanks to a marvellous bowling performance from Alan Ison at Harlow. He took 8-44 off 21.1 overs as Harlow were dismissed for 96 in the opening innings while Upminster cruised to a six wicket win.

Orsett won by eight wickets at Hainault & Clayhall.

The hosts put up 171-9 as Shahid Khan took 5-

46 for Orsett.

A third wicket partnership between Mohammed Ahktar (66 not out) and Chanaka Withanage (59 not out) made it a dismal afternoon for Hainault.

At the bottom, Southend on Sea & EMT had some joy, winning by four wickets over Fives & Heronians.

Modassar Ibrahim and Shafi Mohammed Tanvir took three wickets apiece as Fives' batsmen limped to 78 all out.

It was not plain sailing for Southend with the bat as Jamie Porter and Ryan Cunningham took three wickets apiece for Fives, but the tailenders clung on.

DIVISION TWO

ALL matches in the division were abandoned or cancelled.

DIVISION THREE

THE AFTERMATH of the wet weather put paid to the top of the table clash between Hutton and Bil-

lericay.

It did give the opportunity for third place Harlow Town to close the gap which they took with a four wicket victory over Benfleet.

Ranya Upadhyay took 4-18 for Town as Benfleet were dismissed for 108, despite Gavin Blows' stubborn innings of 41 not out.

Town batted consistently with Matt Hurley's contributing with an unbeaten 34.

Old Brentwoods moved above Old Parkonians following their 14-run triumph.

The hosts went for 176 in the opening innings, with Waheed Ahmed top scoring with 36 as Vikram Handa took 3-25.

Old Park's opener Ibram Azam hit a magnificent 104 but his team-mates crumbled around him as they headed to defeat.

A Mughal took 3-30 for Old Brentwoods. Woodford Green won by six runs over bottom side Epping in a low scoring encounter.

Epping were set a target of 87 to beat, but Woodford bowlers David Hawkes (3-19), Sarfraz Boriyawala (3-14) and Asif Nabi (3-22) denied them the win.

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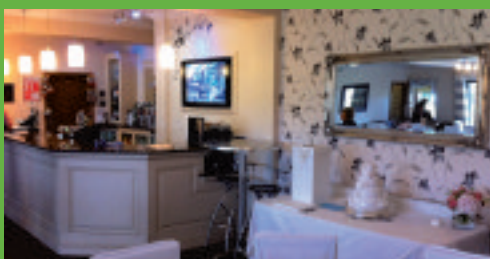
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